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OHIO BETA ETA CHAPTER, AT OHIO WESLEYAN. UNIVERSITY.

In November of last year Ohio Wesleyan University celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of her organization. It was the first college founded by Ohio Methodism. Success beyond the highest expectations of the founders has ever characterized its growth, for within these fifty years the institution has secured a larger endowment than Yale in the first one hundred and fifty years of her history. It has sent into the world 2,200 honored graduates and 15,000 loyal students.

The location of the University at Delaware, Ohio, was due in the main to the famous Sulphur Spring, the possession of which was obtained in connection with the other property then upon the grounds. At this spring Rutherford B. Hayes first met and afterwards married his companion through life, Lucy Webb Hayes. The waters of the spring are salubrious and the location, healthful. Gradually the University has become well and favorably known for its advantages in these respects and for its high moral and scholarly standing, until at present twelve hundred students are crowding its halls, many from distant parts of the world. Its friends are numbered by the thousand, since it is mostly the common property of the whole church and is not the gift of any one man.

For thirty years none but male students were admitted. But, in 1877, the Ohio Wesleyan Female College was united with the University, and co-education was an established reality. In Delaware it is an unqualified and great success. There is a largeness about the whole system that is in itself educative. Monnett Hall is the home for the young ladies. The building, as it now stands, is two hundred feet long

and one hundred feet wide and four stories high. It contains, beside a separate room or suite of rooms for each lady, an assembly hall, reception rooms, parlors, library, reading rooms and three ladies' literary societies. It is a pleasant home and the privileges of society are satisfied under the most restraining and refining circumstances.

University Hall and Gray Chapel, the most stately building on the campus, was completed in 1893. It is built of buff Amherst sandstone and has a frontage of 150 feet and a depth of 160 feet. The building is crowned with a graceful tower of 148 feet high. It contains administrative offices, lecture rooms, ladies parlor, Y. M. C. A. Hall, six literary halls, twelve recitation rooms and gray Chapel. It is one of the most complete college buildings to be found in America.

The foundation for a modern fire-proof library has just been laid. It will cost at least \$60,000. Other buildings are Merrick Hall, Sturges Library, Gymnasium and Elliott Hall, the oldest of the college buildings.

The history of the O. W. U. has been one of successive surprises to her patrons and guardians and today she is regarded as one of the most influential school of Western Methodism. Her past is secure, and her future, bright.

It was, however, certainly, full late in the history of Ohio Methodism for the establishment of a University. Other denominations had already good foundations for their several denominational schools.

While the University was thus, comparatively, late in coming on the field, yet, early in its history, the older fraternities, recognizing a golden opportunity, secured permission and established chapters. Beta Theta Pi was chartered in 1853; Sigma Chi, 1854; Phi Delta Theta, 1860; Phi Kappa Psi, 1861; Delta Tau Delta, 1866; Phi Gamma Delta, 1869.

Like the University, which made its existence here possible, the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity was certainly comparatively late in coming to a knowledge of what could be accomplished by it; but, like the university in another respect, its rapid increase in numbers and influence seems to be the result of the necessity for such an organization. The growth of our chapter has truly been remarkable, and it will live and prosper as long as so noble a brotherhood is such a benefit to the students who

may join its ranks, and it is such a recognized power for good among all.

On the night of the sixth of October, 1887, Beta Eta Chapter was born into the Greek world. Her godfather, Bro. Harry Phillips, came to O. W. U. from Springfield, Ohio, where he had been a factor in establishing Alpha Psi Chapter at Wittenberg. Immediately he received numerous invitations from other fraternities to join them but, like a true Alpha Tau, he had not only joined the fraternity, but had "learned to love her, and the two were one forever." Then first Iris, messenger of the Gods, whispered to him of another brotherhood of men who should honor and revere his name while they lived. But many obstacles were plainly discernible upon the horizon. Other fraternities were in the field with strong chapters and it was indeed an act of courage to found a new and independent chapter; but he was found "sufficient for these things." His criterion for the loyal A. T. O. was "fellows of kindred tastes, purposes and ambitions, united in sacred bonds for mutual advantage in all lines of college work." Accordingly, he associated with himself as charter members: Basil L. Smith, class of '90; A. L. Huffman, R. L. Richards and F. Asbury Fate, class of '91. Within a month a hall was secured and furnished, and our chapter began that career which we all feel proud of and which has ever been marked with prosperity and distinction. Since our organization nine years ago, we have initiated fifty men, the last one being Lieut. Ayer, of the U. S. A. Many of our alumni, though yet young, hold high positions of trust, and are on the highway to success in the various professions.

The growth of our chapter has been in keeping with its policy, which is discriminative, rather than conservative. Each man is made to recognize that the good he gets out of the fraternity depends in a great measure on just what he makes out of it. In this way, a reciprocal spirit of help is engendered and maintained.

This sketch would scarcely be complete, if ended here, without saying something of our external relations. Socially and intellectually, our men are all up to the standard. In athletics and in that broad culture which goes to make up the true man, we claim superiority. We have our "stars" in every line of college attainments, and this con-

tributes toward making that well rounded fraternity which secures and retains the respect of all.

Ohio Beta Eta steadfastly holds her position in the van of O. W. U. pan-hellenism and "with malice toward none, but with charity for all," she extends the right hand of greeting and fellowship to her sister fraternities in the Ohio Wesleyan University. Grateful for the past and with no fear for the future, we are striving to lift higher the standard, and be worthy members of our Great Fraternity.

Harlan W. Bradshaw.

PAN-HELLENISM AT ATLANTA.

Judging from the account published in the Atlanta Constitution of Nov. 19, 1895, Fraternity Day at the Cotton States and International Exposition, Nov. 18th, was an even more successful event than the corresponding day at the World's Fair. It will be noticed that Alpha Tau Omega was remarkably well represented and carried off a large portion of the honors. The Constitution's report is complete, and is substantially as follows:

With their stirring yells echoing about the rafters of the big auditorium, the gaudy colors of their societies fluttering about their lapels and their enthusiasm finding vociferous outbursts in speech and song, three hundred representatives of the Greek letter organizations of the United States gathered yesterday morning at 11 o'clock and after appropriate formal exercises, effected the formation of the American Pan-Hellenic Society.

The organization is to be national in its scope and affects the interest of all college fraternity men.

Eloquent addresses were made by Hon. H. H. Cabaniss, Mr. Henderson Hallman, Dr. I. S. Hopkins and Judge Howard Van Epps, all wafting a greeting to the Greeks and encouraging the idea of fraternity extension. After the speeches a business session of great importance was called, which resulted in the formation of a permanent organization, the election of permanent officers and a plan of procedure which assures for the society lasting success.

Yesterday morning at 9 o'clock the Greeks gathered in the parlors of the Kimball where they were introduced and received by the local committee. There were present members of most of the college societies. Delegates had come from different parts of the country. Alumni of the biggest institutions of the south and north mingled with the college freshmen; old graduates clasped the hands of the undergraduate and a pleasant reunion was held.

The Greeks marched in line to the Southern depot, where they took the cars for the grounds.

There was already a large crowd in the auditorium when they marched in and loud applause greeted their entrance.

On the stage were Mr. Cabaniss, Dr. I. S. Hopkins, Judge Van Epps. Mr. Hallman and members of the executive committee.

Mr. W. W. Davies, chairman of the executive committee, called the session to order and introduced Mr. Cabaniss, who welcomed the Greeks in behalf of the exposition company.

Mr. Cabaniss made a pleasant allusion to his college days. He spoke of the mission of the college man and showed what he had accomplished. The college man was the great factor of the present times. It was he who ruled and swayed the thought of other men; it was he who made the laws of the great commonwealth, and it was he who enforced them.

Mr. Cabaniss spoke of fraternity life and the spirit of friendship it engendered. It was a grand mission that of the college fraternity and he was glad to see that it was increasing. He welcomed the college men and offered them the hospitality of the exposition.

In the absence of Mayor King, Mr. Henderson Hallman was called on to welcome the fraternity men on behalf of Atlanta.

Mr. Hallman said:

"Proud indeed is the honor of representing the chief executive of this city in extending you welcome, yet far surpassing is the joy with which I tender you a stronger evidence of our regard for you. Atlanta has heard the cry "They come! they come! the Greek! the Greek!" and I hasten to offer you Atlanta's unconditional surrender to the Greeks.

"Atlanta is proud to bow before such conquerors and I feel that if the author of the lines

"The mountain looked on Marathon

And Marathon looked on the sea,

And musing there an hour alone

I dreamed that Greece might still be free,'

could stand in this presence his heart would be filled with an irrepressible joy as he would behold the incarnation of Grecian spirit not enslaved, but heart enslaving. The thought of the Grecian is here as

pure, with aspirations as high and ideals as noble as in the days of Homer and of Sappho

"In the immortality of a spirit that lives beyond material ruin and decay Atlanta grasps your hand and bids your spirit welcome as a kinsman. That the cultivating and ennobling blood of Hellas anoint and enrich the nations of the earth fair Greece was sacrificed and lives to-day alone in song and story. But that spirit that made the land that stretched between Ionian and Aegean seas the seat of literature and art, is to-day the inspiration that keeps still bright the prize of learning; that draws man closer to his brother and nearer to his God. 'Tis the same spirit that is present here to-day guarded by these tribes of stalwart Greeks.

"'Fair Greece, sad relic of departed worth!

Immortal though no more; though fallen, great.'

"Atlanta welcomes you as prophetic of a brighter day for the whole country.

"The fact that you have enjoyed the blessing of an undisturbed college course should be suggestive of greater work than even your fathers have accomplished, many of them having spent their college years on the bloody fields of Virginia.

"Atlanta congratulates herself that here will be organized a brotherhood that has long been the dream of fraternity men the country over. She hails with pride the natal day of an organization that shall know this nation in a grander and nobler sense than it has ever been known; an organization that shall bind with bonds of love and learning all the sections of this country.

"Welcome again I say. If you want instruction you have it on every hand. If in your councils you should lack oratory go and stand within sound of the Midway spieler and you will hear eloquence that would excite the envy of a Webster. If you want art, why go and behold upon the Midway the live, breathing article that would make a Greek slave hide her face."

There was a ring of applause when Dr. I. S. Hopkins, president of the school of Technology, and secretary of the jury of awards, was introduced. Dr. Hopkins wore the colors of the Alpha Tau Omega

fraternity. His speech was continually interrupted with loud applause. Dr. Hopkins spoke as follows:

"The occasion which calls us together to-day is one of no small moment. I see before me representatives of the Greek letter fraternities from many states and many institutions of learning. Some of these are yet undergraduates who have laid aside for the time the grave duties of the class-room and the sweet serenity of the campus to take part in this pageant and lend the aid of their enthusiasm to this pan-Hellenic congress. Others have come from the serious work and business of active life to feel again the thrill of old college days and to gather inspiration from the tender memories and associations of days now gone forever—the days of their college struggles and college triumphs.

"Older men are here whose college life dates back beyond the birth of many of the fraternities represented, but whose pulses have not lost the rhythm and bound of a true sympathy with the aims and symbols of culture and polite literature.

"And here, too, beauty has come to pay its tribute to a cause to which it is so nearly allied, the cause of art and letters in their highest and noblest development.

"Such an occasion is fruitful of suggestions and inquiries. Why this gathering? *Quid vult hoc sibi?*

"Does this scene stand for something peculiar to our modern civilization and ideas? Or does it waft us back over the centuries and transport us to the classic shades and academic groves of an age long since gone by? These symbolic letters and these glittering jewels, the cherished insignia of secret orders, of what do they speak to us to-day? Perhaps no incident or circumstance of college life has half the interest to the average student that is possessed by these tokens of his brotherhood worn so conspicuously in scarf or on lapel. No knight of the days of chivalry ever wore with greater pride the token of his lady's love or the guerdon of his monarch's favor. It is his signet of honorable place with his brothers, the sign-manual of their confidence and esteem. At home it is a badge of proud distinction

and abroad an introduction to others hitherto strangers, now no longer such, but members of the same craft.

"No masonic jewel is more precious, more crowded with cabalistic signs, more sacred by traditions, more tragic with solemn oaths. And then it has its lighter but perhaps not less beautiful associations. How many times these badges have passed into the keeping of fair hands, the hands of a dear friend, a sister or somebody else's sister and been made to stand sentinel over whole platoons of vows of love until the fitter symbol of the diamond studded circlet should take its place.

"It would be pleasant if not profitable if time and occasion suited to look beyond these outward tokens of a fellowship and inquire more broadly into the significance of what has come to be as persistent and prominent a feature of the college life of to-day as the college name itself or the college president and professor, or the almost numberless eulogies which mark the ever advancing standard of college and university training.

"Such an inquiry would take us back beyond the days when colleges began to be. For the spirit which makes a college fraternity a possibility and a necessity is inborn in our humanity and is but the trilateral instinct declared and developed on the higher and closer lines of intellectual and scholarly pursuits. Its field of operation is in the spiritual and emotional rather than in the local and the material. The basis of its existence is in the need of sympathy and affection rather than in the claim for mutual help in wars of aggression and defense.

"Man is a gregarious being—I will not say animal. From the common brotherhood of humanity he tends to form inner circles and to pass to yet closer companionships. And these have not only their charm of companionship but their usefulness as well.

"The chosen twelve who passed into the confidence of the Master and into each other's love, sent forth by divine authority and under divine protection, have changed the front of the universe, and have founded and fostered a kingdom so strong that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

"The medieval guilds which began with the Norman conquest gave security to English commerce, stimulated and enhanced the internal

and foreign industry of the times, tempered feudal turbulence and strengthened the supremacy of the English crown.

"The collegia of ancient Rome gave the craftsmen of the city a local habitation and a name, and were no inconsiderable element in the political life and revolutions of the classic city.

"The sodalities of the church of Rome had their inspiration in the sentiment of a closer brotherhood among men seeking a common end and landed together for a religious work. Perhaps the Roman see has had no agent more potent, no instrumentality more aggressive than this. Perhaps the long continued supremacy of papal power in Europe was due to no one agency so much as to Ignatius Loyola and his Society of Jesus.

"And so on down through historic records to our own day when clubs in cities, trades unions and associations of various names and aims proclaim this tendency of men to societies and fraternities for purposes more or less worthy and ennobling.

"Among these it may be said that none of manly human origin has been formed more beautiful in its conception, more healthful to intellectual life, more elevating to human nature, more conservative in its spirit than that so fully represented here to-day, that of the college fraternity--the Greek letter society.

"It is peculiarly fitting that these fraternities should be allied by name and symbol with ancient Greece--the land of myth and story, of art and poetry, of fable and song, of oratory and philosophy.

"The nations can never pay the debt they owe to Greece. Hebrew thought, divinely inspired as it was, the revelation of religion to the human race, found its crown and glory when Christ, the great Teacher, breathed new life into the world in the language and idiom of Greece.

"Rome had no literature worthy of the name until she caught the spirit of Greek form and ideas. The Latin tongue was strong, precise, weighty--an imperious tongue, fitted to interpret government and law but without flexibility and grace, until the constant influence of Greece made possible the thundering eloquence of Cicero and the flowing music of Virgil.

"By whatever heritage the Greek mind had its genius, certain it is

that the first flowings of human inspiration in all things save religion, began with Greece. To her we owe the love of science, the love of art, the love of freedom, not each of these alone, but all of them combined into an agency which has lifted men into a higher realm and made the world a better and nobler dwelling place for man.

"But this train of thought would carry us too far. Pardon a suggestion or two which grows naturally out of our gathering to-day and our relation to the art and culture of ancient Greece.

"One of these is a lesson of encouragement and inspiration. The statement will hardly be challenged that the jealousies and strifes which marked the early history of fraternities in America have passed away. This has been due partly to the improvement in those clubs which began their life under unfavorable conditions and have struggled into a better estate, a condition of higher dignity and worthier membership. And this better feeling has resulted from a broader conception of the value of the club as a great educational and social agency and this both by college students and college officers. May these sentiments of appreciation and esteem continue to grow until the fraternities of the whole college world shall become 'distinct as the drops and one as the sea.' Through every other element the fraternal, the social, the mutually helpful, there should shine the element of heightened culture and intellectual improvement like a thread of gold woven into a garment of beauty.

"The other lesson is one of warning. It is this, that culture is not the worthiest end in itself. If Greece had learned this lesson along with her triumphs in literature and art, perhaps her glory would not have passed away. Nations, like individuals, have their missions.

"Failing in these, in part or in whole, the divine judgment seals their vision and lays them aside.

"The world in which we are called to labor and to live is too big and busy to allow any man to retire selfishly within himself and shut out the thought of other men and other interests than his own. A truth abstract is worth little or nothing until it has ceased to be abstract and stands out concrete and active to bless mankind and help the world. Thought and culture are beautiful and gracious things, but they are

of little worth unless thought takes on activity and culture is drawn forward by motive and each addresses itself to some purpose full of the love and helpfulness to humanity.

"Pardon me if I have, in your judgment, placed a false estimate on this opportunity and kept you waiting overlong for the welcome I was appointed to give you. And this welcome I do give you most heartily. To Georgia, to Atlanta, to the exposition, to our homes, to our hearts, we extend to every Greek letter fraternity, to every Greek letter man, to every Greek letter lover a cordial and affectionate welcome."

The enthusiasm of the college men was whetted to the keenest point when Judge Howard Van Epps was introduced.

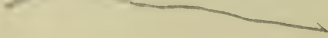
In a forceful, vigorous, eloquent speech Judge Van Epps spoke of Greek life. He showed how the present fraternity organizations carried out the idea of the old Greeks, where the warmest friendships existed, where the highest ideal of relationship was formed, where true love and learning bound man and man.

In his classic and cultured style he recited various instances of devotion among the Greeks and told of the martyrdom they endured for each other. The modern fraternity, he said, was but the preservation of this idea.

He wafted a word of greeting to all fraternity men. He loved fraternity life. There was something in man that required the warm handclasp—the heart to heart contact. It was a peculiar fact and caused comment these days that the churches were made up in the main of female membership. It was deplorable, but had been accounted for on the ground that in secret organizations the men found that society and that sympathy which did not come in the church. The college fraternity came into a man's life when it was most needed and the influence and memory lasted until death.

The sentiment and tone of Judge Van Epps' speech was warmly applauded.

After the formal ceremonies of welcome had concluded, Chairman Davies announced the idea of forming a permanent organization. At the call for election Mr. John Young Carlington, an alumnus of Tenn.



Omega Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, located at the University of the South, was nominated for president.

Mr. Garlington's name was placed before the congress and was unanimously voted upon. For the other officers the committee on organization presented the names of Dr. W. B. Baird, New York, Beta Theta Pi; William J. Price, Danville, Ky., Sigma Nu; H. H. Cabaniss, S. A. E.; Henry W. Grady, Atlanta, Chi Phi; W. W. Davies, Atlanta, Phi Delta Theta; Don D. Donan, Chicago, Beta Theta Pi; Samuel N. Evins, secretary, Phi Delta Theta.

These officers were elected to compose the executive committee and will select the next place for the holding of the Pan-Hellenic congress.

A committee on constitution was appointed to report at the next convention. To this committee will be added the names of representative men of all known Greek societies. Those appointed thus far are Clay W. Holmes, Elmira, N. Y.; E. R. Black, Atlanta; W. B. Palmer, Nashville; I. Shrimski, Chicago; W. A. Clarke, Toledo, O.; William P. Price, Danville, Ky.; Dr. Thaddeus Reamy, Cincinnati, O.; Mr. Linsey Johnson, Rome; Herbert M. Martin, Neapolis, Va.; Mr. Francis Collins Williams and Mr. Louis C. Ehle, Chicago, Ill. To this committee will be added representatives of all known fraternities.

It was also decided, by suggestion of Mr. John Henderson Garney, to have the Pan-Hellenic Society represented at the Olympic games to be held in Greece April next. It is probable that a laurel wreath will be offered by the society.

Yesterday's work marked a new era in college fraternities. It means a broader spirit among college men and will serve to encourage the idea of higher education in an emphatic way.

A banquet was to be held in the evening, but we have not received any report of this feature of the day, and it was probably abandoned. At any rate, the day was a great one for the Greeks, and in every way a credit to those who had the arrangements in charge, prominent among whom the representatives of Alpha Tau Omega.

FRATERNITY LIFE AT NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

One of the greatest universities of this country is located at the classic and beautiful city of Evanston, situated on the western shore of Lake Michigan, a short distance north of Chicago. That is, the college of liberal arts is located there, while the numerous professional schools are scattered about the World's Fair city. Although Alpha Tau Omega has never made a serious effort to obtain a foothold there, the following somewhat abridged sketch of fraternity life by a clever writer of the Chicago Times-Herald will prove of interest to all Greek letter men:

"'Frats'—what a wealth of memory that magic word recalls to the mind of an old college man who, in the press of the business world, has been long separated from his cherished alma mater. To the majority of the graduates the period spent at college has been the best and most enjoyable portion of their lives, and their only regret in connection with it is that the four golden years have passed only too swiftly and that they have departed from college life forever. And the very essence of this college life is the fraternity, which embodies the closest friendship and communion of kindred spirits, a connection which often lasts through life and is productive of influences which greatly affect the future fortunes of its members.

At Northwestern University the fraternity chapters are, as a rule, regarded favorably by the faculty, a condition which does not exist in many of the eastern colleges, because of the irregular conduct of the members of a few of those organizations. President Henry Wade Rogers is not in favor of indiscriminate fraternities, but he distinctly approves of the prominent Greek letter chapters of the university.

Including the department of medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, law and oratory, with the main college of liberal arts, the fraternity chapters of Northwestern number twenty-two, of which nine are sororities, composed of the fair co-eds. The chapters formed by the members of the medical, dental, pharmaceutic and legal departments lack the interest and intensity of the fraternity spirit, mainly because they are not

surrounded by the college influence and because most of the members reside at home and are not banded together as they would be in a university town.

At Evanston nearly all of the chapters have their own fratrooms, though at present none of them possesses a chapter-house of its own. Sigma Chi, which is one of the most prominent fraternities of Northwestern, will break ground next spring for a beautiful \$7,000 chapter-house. It is peculiarly fitting that this fraternity should be the first to possess a home of its own, as it was the first chapter chartered at the university, which fact is due to the efforts of ex-Judge Lorin C. Collins, who founded it in 1869. The 'Sigs,' as they are familiarly termed, have always been prominent in the social, musical, athletic and intellectual circles of the university. They possess an enviable 'stand in' with the sororities, and are rather exclusive in their membership, the present number being fourteen, of whom several are on the glee and banjo clubs of the university. In athletics, Omega Chapter of Sigma Chi, is well represented by J. P. Van Doozer and Clarence H. Mowry. Van Doozer, the pride of the university, was only recently initiated into the dark mysteries of the 'Sigs,' and it is understood that his famous football tactics availed him little. The fact that he did not materialize for practice on the campus for several days subsequent to his initiation is attributed by some to his initiation experiences. The chapter is giving a series of monthly dances during the season, and the members figure prominently in the innumerable social affairs of Evanston at all times, and are in high favor at the Fem. Sem.

Another important fraternity of Northwestern is Upsilon Chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma. It is next in age to Sigma Chi, having been established in 1872. The Phi Kapps are rather small in number at present, as few of their members came back to college this year. Their chapter-rooms are situated on Davis street. In football and baseball the Phi Kapps are well represented.

They also pride themselves on having several men on the banjo and glee clubs, although the membership of the chapter is only seven at present.

Beta Theta Pi has a strong representative chapter at Evanston, three

of its members being well known in college athletics, musical and literary circles, though the chapter is not so prominent in the social life of Evanston. The fraternity has been established at the university over twenty years, has a strong alumni in Chicago, now has its quarters on Davis street, and consists of eleven members.

The Illinois Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi is at present rather weak in numbers. For many years the Phi Kapps have held an enviable position in university life, and have taken part in receptions, tally-ho parties and sleighrides galore, but recently they have had dissension, and Phi Kappa Psi is now represented at Northwestern by only six of the brethren, though they have a very fine alumni in Chicago, composed of some of the city's best business men.

Delta Upsilon has a large and prosperous chapter in the college. This frat is not a secret society, and, in that respect differs from all the other fraternities. The members are, as a rule, studiously inclined, and are a handsome set of young men. Their chapter-house is situated on the lake shore, near Professor Shepard's beautiful new mansion. The Delta Upsilon are prominent in the Y. M. C. A. college organization.

Phi Delta Theta, which is represented in almost every college in the country, has a strong representation at Northwestern University. It is one of the oldest chapters in the college, having been chartered in 1859. and has had a varied existence, being deprived of its charter at one time. The Phi Delts hold a large share of the offices in the different college organizations. They have a large chapter-house delightfully situated on Chicago avenue, where most of the members reside.

One of the later fraternity chapters is Beta Phi of Delta Tau Delta, which has been in existence less than two years and consequently has a small alumni. The Delta Taus are a studious set of young men and are active in class matters. They are fairly strong in number and have their chapter rooms on Davis street.

Theta Nu Epsilon is a sophomore fraternity and is composed of prominent members of the other fraternities of the university. They are supposed to be the mischievous set of the college and any prank committed in Evanston which cannot be traced directly to the authors

thereof is immediately placed to the account of the Theta Nus, who are thus made the scapegoats of numberless diabolical tricks which, to say the least, they probably never even thought of.

A new and energetic frat is the Psi Omega Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. It is large in number of members and has a large chapter-house on Orrington avenue. It was for the purpose of addressing the alumni of this fraternity that Governor McKinley recently came to Chicago.

The sororities or frats composed of the fair occupants of the Fern. Sem. are important factors in university life. Recently a romantic college youth, who has a true perception of the position of the sorority maiden, indited the following lines to her:

Hail, O maid of wondrous lore;
With eyes brimful of mirthful twinkle.
With sunny curls and a sunny heart,
Queen of mystic mysteries, hail!
What direful secrets, most profound,
Doth mar thy brow so fair, with frowns?
Ribbons and mystics, symbols galore,
Hover about thee forevermore,
Accept our homage, O sisters, true,
Whose hearts are bound with hoops of steel.

The oldest sorority of Northwestern is Beta Chapter of Alpha Phi. Its members are active in social and college life and have carried off many honors. Frances E. Willard is a member of the Alumni of the Alpha Phis and takes deep interest in their progress.

Delta Gamma sorority, which is represented at Northwestern by Sigma Chapter, is rather weak numerically, but is prominent in society. The young ladies, instead of having their quarters at Woman's Hall, as do all the other sororities, have a pretty lodge on the lawn of W. S. Harbert.

Upsilon Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma is one of the strongest sororities in the university. The members are a studious set and are well represented in the literary world of Northwestern. There is an old, old story with which Kappa Kappa Gamma and a muscular Wil-

liam goat are intimately connected. They had secured the said animal for the purpose of making use of him in their dark and mysterious initiation rites, and the frolicsome goat, possessing a will of his own, secured his freedom by strategy, and before he was recaptured by the breathless members of the sorority nearly all Evanston was in an uproar. Since that happening it is claimed by many that the initials K. K. G. which adorn their frat-pins stand for 'Kant Kontrol Goat.'

A sorarity prominent in all feminine branches of university work is the Tau Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. In a social way the Kappa Alphas are in high favor with the masculine frats. They, like the majority of the sororities, have their quarters in Woman's Hall and are strong in numbers.

Gamma Chapter of Alpha Chi Omega, is a musical frat—that is, which is prominent socially, and, though one of the later fraternities, is already rivaling the older organizations in popularity. They are strong numerically and are general favorites in Evanston.

Gamma Chapter, of Alpha Chi Omega, is a musical frat—that is, most of the members are students in the school of music. They have little in common with the college of liberal arts and its occupants.

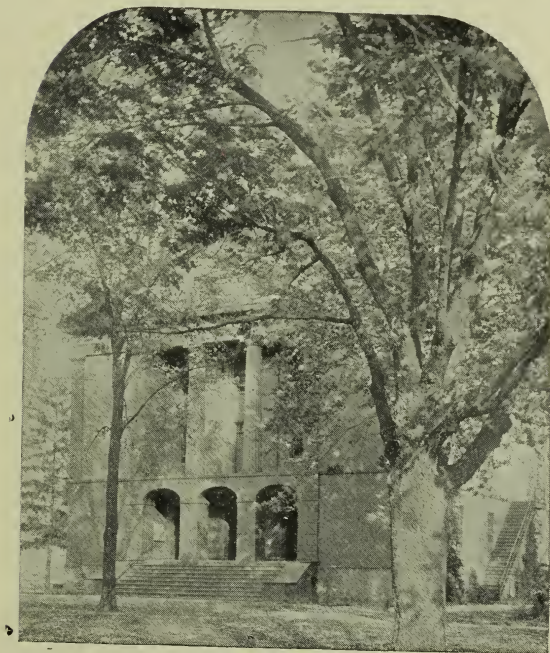
The school of oratory possesses a small and exclusive chapter of Zeta Phi Eta. The young ladies of this select fraternity are among the most prominent of the university. The chapter here is the first and only chapter of Zeta Phi Eta, and has been organized for the short period of two years.

One of the largest sororities of the country is Pi Beta Phi. Its representative at Evanston, Epsilon Chapter, has only been recently established here, and the membership is not large.

An organization which has existed since last spring, unknown to any one except the members, has been recently discovered. A short time ago a large number of young ladies prominent in the different 'frats' appeared at the college wearing a new frat pin and issued invitations to a reception to a number of surprised young men. The new sorority is a sophomore fraternity, modeled after the masculine T. N. E., which is composed of the more prominent members of the other fraternities. They are known as the Omega Psi Fraternity and have completely overshadowed the masculine T. N. E.



SULPHUR SPRING AT OHIO WESLEYAN.



THOMPSON CHAPEL, O. W. U.

A new fraternity, called the Delta Delta Delta, has been established this fall, and its members are strong in college work and give promise of soon taking an important position among the college chapters.

The remaining fraternities are composed of the students in the law, medical and dental departments, and as a rule are not as limited in their membership as the chapters at Evanston. In the law college, Booth Chapter of Phi Delta Phi is mostly composed of graduates of Yale and other eastern colleges, who are thoroughly imbued with the frat spirit. President Henry Wade Rogers is in the alumni of this fraternity, and takes considerable interest in their doings.

In the school of medicine there are two chapters, one of Phi Rho Sigma and one of Nu Sigma Nu, and the rivalry between them is intense. They have a large alumni among Chicago's medical men. In the exciting events of university day, which was celebrated a short time ago, the fraternity members figured prominently.

The dental college possesses a large chapter of the Delta Sigma Delta fraternity. The alumni are represented among this city's best dentists, and also in the faculty of the college, though the chapter itself is rather inactive and has little of the real fraternity spirit.

In Evanston society the frats figure prominently and are cordially received among the best people in that aristocratic town.

The new student, at the beginning of the year, if he be a desirable candidate for admission to the fraternities, becomes a centre of interest at once, and is enjoined, coaxed and treated by the members of all the frats until he has declared his preference, and after that momentous event he is let severely alone by every chapter member outside of his own. If he decides not to become a frat man, it does not take him long to realize that he is missing the most interesting part of college life, and as a rule he becomes a member sooner or later. Most of the fraternities have their members pledged before their entry into college, as a matter of safety in securing them.

The great fraternity of the university is that which is composed of the prominent graduates of the college. It is called the Phi Beta Kappa, and includes an illustrious list of members, commencing with Frances E. Willard, of the class of '59, and including a large number of men and women recognized in Chicago's most cultured and influential circles.

FRANCIS HOWE McGUIRE.

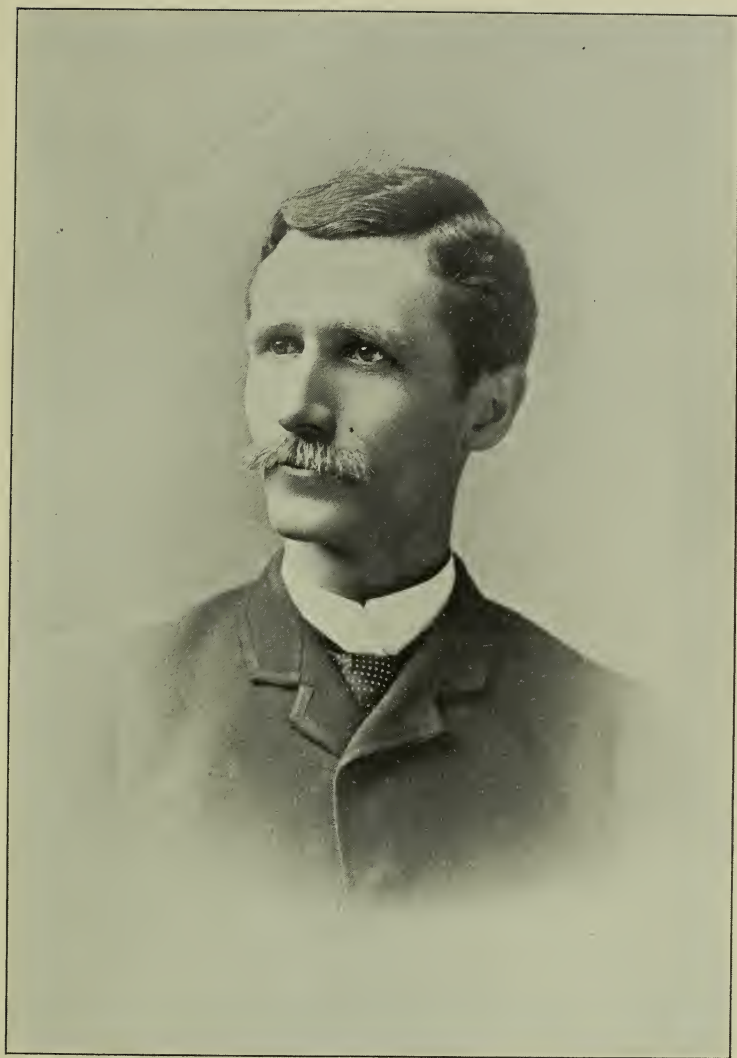
It is meet that the Palm should chronicle the successes and splendid achievements of the members of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, and this is its constant aim. It is especially fitting a liberal amount of space should be devoted to a history of the life work of a brother, whose life is rounded full, whose reputation has been preserved spotless to the end, whose professional standing has always been high and honorable, and whose loyalty to his chosen fraternity grew stronger and stronger as the years rolled on. We refer to a brother well known to the older members of our fraternity, who has served well and faithfully, both in the ranks and as a grand officer.

Francis Howe McGuire was born in Mecklenburg county, Virginia, on the 4th day of June, 1850, and died, after an operation for appendicitis, at Richmond, Virginia, on the 30th day of October, 1894, being in the forty-fifth year of his age, loved and mourned by all who knew him.

Brother McGuire came of a prominent southern family. His father was the Rev. Francis H. McGuire, who was the youngest of three sons, all of whom were ministers in the Protestant Episcopal Church. His mother was Mary Willing Harrison, a great-grand-daughter of Benjamin Harrison, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. His grandfather served through the Revolution with much distinction, and afterward became a member of the Virginia Legislature and was also the first Chief Justice of the Mississippi Territory.

Brother McGuire was early thrown upon his own resources to obtain an education, owing to the death of his father while he was still young, and to the financial ruin which followed in the wake of the Civil War. He attended Randolph-Macon College, and after graduation, took a course in law at the University of Virginia. In order to do so he was compelled to teach school while not at college, in order to pay his way, displaying in his youth the sterling qualities which gained him distinction in later life.

In 1875 he was admitted to the bar and settled in Richmond, and



FRANCIS HOWE MCGUIRE.

began the practice of law. He was confronted by many obstacles, such as usually make the experience of the young practitioner an undesirable one in many ways. But he never flinched. He began his practice on a high plane of professional ethics, and, to his credit, maintained it to the end. Recognition came after a few years in many flattering ways. It has been said of him that no lawyer has recently in the short period of nineteen years, which is the term of his service in the profession of law, won a more honorable position. He was often importuned to accept a judicial position, but invariably declined, although naturally well fitted for the work.

Brother McGuire always had the best interests of his profession at heart. He believed in a lofty code of professional conduct, and it was he, more than anyone else, who was instrumental in founding and building up the strong and honorable Bar Association of Virginia. Nor was his activity bounded by the interests of his profession. He was prominently connected with numerous enterprises and movements, among them being the Howitzer Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Society of the Alumni of the University of Virginia, the Virginia State Insurance Co., the Board of the Male Orphan Asylum, the Incorporators of the Protestant Episcopal Church Home, the directors of Peterkin Memorial Association, as treasurer of the Church Fund of the Diocese, and with the Historical Society of Virginia.

On November 5th, 1886, Brother McGuire married Miss Helen Nolting, of Richmond, Va., who survives him, as does also their little daughter. He was a thoroughly domestic man, and wrapped up in his family, to whom his loss is a sad, bitter one.

Mr. McGuire was active in church and Sunday School work, always modest and unassuming, but always ready and willing to work faithfully.

The prominence of Brother McGuire in the life of his city and state is attested by the many eloquent tributes paid to his memory by all the organizations with which he was connected and by the press in general.

Immediately after learning of the death of Brother McGuire, the Bar Association of the city of Richmond was assembled to pay a fitting

tribute to the deceased. A portion of the lengthy and highly appreciative resolutions adopted is as follows: "He had nearly all the qualities of mind and heart which command success. He was thoroughly prepared for his profession. During those weary years when he was earning as teacher the right to be himself a pupil, he was drinking deeply at the fountain heads of the law, and when the opportunity came, as it always comes to those who have learned to labor and to wait, it found him ready. He then speedily took his place in the foremost rank of the profession. "His mind was clear, direct and strong, and distinctly judicial in cast, in argument or investigation, going straight to the point of the case, easily distinguishing and discarding non-essentials. His tenacity of purpose was unsurpassed; his industry undaunted by any task; his judgment singularly calm and well balanced. His zeal and fidelity to his clients knew no bounds save those forever set between right and wrong.

"Beneath a gentleness and sweetness of disposition almost womanly, there lay concealed an iron will, an indomitable purpose, which defied difficulty and laughed at danger, and a robust manliness of character, which inspired universal respect and admiration." And so the eloquent tribute from those who had known him well and had met him in many a hotly contested legal fight, goes on.

The memorial address of J. V. R. Daniel at the meeting of the State Bar Association in August last, was equally complimentary. Speaking of it the Richmond State says editorially, "Mr. Daniel knew the man. To know the man was to know a life worthy of presentation to other men, both in and out of his profession. To know the man was to know how a Virginia youth could, by his own zeal, honesty and ability reach in a brief career a high place in a crowded profession, and in the toilsome march thereto find opportunity to do even better work as a man and Christian."

The Richmond Dispatch of October 31st, 1894, presents the following: "Mr. McGuire's life was well and nobly spent. He obtained his liberal and part of his legal education amid privations that would have utterly discouraged many other men. But the struggle did not, as is often the case, contract his views and his nature. He was broad-

mindful, generous-hearted, sympathetic and public-spirited. He loved the city of his adoption, and was ever ready to lend a helping hand to advance her welfare. *

* * He enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all classes, and his name had been frequently mentioned in connection with high judicial positions. He would have honored any service to which he might have been called, and it can be truly said that his death has cast a gloom over the community. The Richmond Times, of same date, says: "He did well the duty in hand in all the relations of life, and his industry and fidelity to the interests of his clients were supplemented by a character above reproach, an amiable and gentle manner and a thorough appreciation of his responsibilities, and these combined to win him a large practice and wide popularity, as well as the genuine esteem of all who knew him, both in and out of his profession. He was one of the hardest and most persistent students in his profession, winning his honorable place in it by pluck and manly fidelity. He paused at no obstacle, but moved at it and over it by the exercise of the highest qualities of manhood. As a lawyer, he was clearheaded and convincing. What the profession thought of him is shown by the frequent mention of his name for high judicial place." The Southern Churchman says: "To all his friends he was open-hearted, loyal, affectionate. Judging himself severely, he delighted in noting the good qualities of others, and covered their weaknesses with a broad mantle of charity. The nearer one drew to him, the more attractive he became. ." Such extracts as the above might be almost indefinitely extended, for in all that he undertook Bro. McGuire excited admiration and gained friends. But space does not permit us to quote more. In this place we are more especially interested in Bro. McGuire as a fraternity man.

It was at Old Virginia in 1872, that our departed Brother took upon himself the vows of an Alpha Tau and assumed the Maltese Cross in the hall of old Virginia Delta. Among his classmate brothers were Bro. Jas. B. Green, of the High Council, and Bro. Percy Kinnaird, of Nashville, our ex-worthy High Chancellor. From the moment of his initiation he was a staunch and earnest supporter of the best interests of his beloved fraternity. When the Palm was started, in 1880, he

wrote to the editor, Bro. Anderson: "I have been meaning to write a line to you and Brother Puckette for some time, but the Palm has not needed any commendation, and so in simple admiration and some wonder I have quietly enjoyed it and said nothing. Your journal is a credit to you and our Fraternity. Any effort in the direction of literary enterprise is what most deserves the support of the people of the South now; and the man who undertakes, and the society that fosters it, is doing the best service to our country. * * * The Palm goes to the class on whom rests the hope of the South in this respect. Can you not stir up this class, especially our brothers in A. T. O., to write and publish? You will do yeoman service for the South if you can." It will be seen from this that Bro. McGuire had an exalted idea of the mission of his fraternity and its magazine. He was of the first subscribers to the latter, and the card of McGuire & Elliott appears on the advertising page of the first number. He remained a subscriber to the day of his death. At the Eleventh Biennial Congress, held at Springfield in 1889, Bro. McGuire was elected Worthy High Chancellor, and proved a most faithful and conscientious officer. He was at all times willing and ready to answer the call of Alpha Tau Omega, and the fraternity deeply mourns the loss of so loyal and honored a brother and sympathizes most deeply with his bereaved friends and family. His record has been such as to enhance the value and honor of membership in his fraternity, and to prove a noble incentive to honorable and splendid achievement to his brothers of the Maltese Cross. They should study his life, and profit by its example. For all time his name shall be blazoned with the noblest on the roll of Alpha Tau Omega's honored sons, for he was faithful to his vows and ever loyal to her cause.

EDITORIALS.

Any brother having a copy of the last number of the Palm which he does not care to keep will confer a great favor on the editor by sending same to him at 1111 Ashland Block, Chicago, Ills. The edition is exhausted, and several brothers have not been supplied.

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We trust that the chapters will give a hearty response to the admirable circular letter of the Worthy Grand Chief of Dec. 1st. Bro. Glazebrook is devoting an unusually large amount of attention to the work of his department and is keeping in remarkably close touch with the fraternity as a whole. The requests and recommendations which he makes, if complied with, would not fail to place Alpha Tau Omega in the very best possible shape in every way. Especially helpful are the suggestions in regard to support of the Palm. We feel sure that they can not fail to bring very desirable results. Very important also are the recommendations in regard to the office of W. K. E. Certain work, which should be done at once, is at a standstill from negligence or inefficiency on the part of those filling this office. Give the Worthy Grand Chief the support he asks, and you will be very directly benefited by it. It is gratifying to read these words in conclusion: "There is no fraternity in existence which has a greater future and is at present in such a prosperous condition." These words are particularly significant, coming as they do from one who is best posted on the facts, and having been written only a few days after the annual meeting of the High Council, which was held at Washington, at the Ebbitt House, on Nov. 27th.

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So far as we are able to learn, nearly all of the chapters of Alpha Tau Omega, are in good shape. A few have suffered from adverse circumstances, in the shape of restrictive rules of their college, or a falling off in desirable material. These are dangers which cannot be guarded against, and do not reflect on the brothers concerned. A high standard seems to be preserved everywhere and there is no rea-

son why the present college year should not be regarded as an unusually prosperous one in the history of the fraternity. This will be so, if brothers maintain their activity of the last few months. A careful search will, doubtless, reveal many desirable men, who have not yet been enrolled by any fraternity, but have remained in the ranks of the barbs, owing to a very creditable conservatism. It will be found that these men will, as a rule, make the best kind of fraternity men. While we do not advocate large chapters, for the mere sake of numbers, it is chapter suicide not to keep a goodly number of Freshmen and Sophomores on the rolls. A large number of Juniors and Seniors and a comparatively small number of underclassmen give rise to a dangerous topheavy condition, which should be avoided. It is safer to keep the balance of members in favor of the underclassmen.

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We have the great pleasure of announcing the birth of the first Alpha Tau grandson, on November 4th, 1895. We feel sure that all wearers of the Maltese Cross will extend heartiest congratulations to our Worthy Grand Chief and wife. With a grandfather as founder and a father as the chief executive officer of Alpha Tau Omega, there can be no question in regard to the young man's fraternity affiliations. He is and will be an Alpha Tau of Alpha Taus. He was promptly marked with the Maltese Cross, and it is the prayer of his father, in which all the fraternity will join, that "he may live and increase in Alpha Tau Omega spirit, instilled by his grandfather and father." If we are not mistaken, he is entitled to a christening cup from Pa. Alpha Rho. We should like to hear from the brothers about that. (See Palm, Vol. XV, No. 2.)

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The Palm owes an apology to the correspondent of Mich. Beta Kappa and his chapter for failure to publish the letter which was sent in for the October number. It reached the editor in due time and was placed on his spindle to insure attention, but was overlooked. Mich. Beta Kappa is generally very prompt in the performance of fraternity duties, and we regret very much that through our fault, it was made to appear that she was in default.

We are informed by Worthy Grand Chief Glazebrook that some of our chapters are, apparently, delinquent in reporting initiations. According to his records, he has signed since January 1st, 1894, only the following permits: Alabama Alpha Epsilon, 2; Alabama Beta Beta, 4; Alabama Beta Delta, 6; California Beta Psi, 4; Georgia Alpha Zeta, 3; Georgia Alpha Beta, 3; Georgia Alpha Theta, 13; Georgia Beta Iota, 6; Illinois Gamma Zeta, 12; Indiana Gamma Gamma, 4; Louisiana Beta Upsilon, 3; Massachusetts Gamma Beta, 8; Maine Gamma Alpha, 5; Maine Beta Upsilon, 5; Michigan Alpha Mu, 9; Michigan Beta Kappa, 1; Michigan Beta Omicron, 10; North Carolina Alpha Delta, 0; North Carolina Alpha Chi, 1; New York Alpha Omicron, 0; New York Beta Theta, 5; O. Alpha Nu, 3; O. Alpha Psi, 12; Ohio Beta Eta, 3; Ohio Beta Mu, 5; Ohio Beta Rho, 4; Ohio Beta Omega, 0; Pennsylvania Alpha Iota, 4; Pennsylvania Alpha Rho, 0; Pennsylvania Alpha Upsilon, 2; Pennsylvania Tau, 0; Rhode Island Gamma Delta, 0; South Carolina Alpha Phi, 5; South Carolina Beta Phi, 0; Tennessee Alpha Tau, 4; Tennessee Beta Pi, 11; Tennessee Beta Tau, 7; Tennessee Lambda, 1; Tennessee Omega, 7; Texas Gamma Epsilon, 15; Vermont Beta Beta, 5; Virginia Beta, 2; Virginia Delta, 19.

If these figures are correct, some of our chapters have made no legal initiations since January 1st, 1894. If this is the case, their condition is alarming, and we are inclined to believe that there is another cause for their poor showing, and that is negligence. We fear that this is due to failure to square accounts promptly with the general fraternity, as should be done in all cases. The initiation fee should never go into the chapter treasury, except for purposes of forwarding. It should be sent immediately to the W. G. K. E. Any other course is likely to cause complication in book-keeping, and is irregular. The Worthy Grand Chief is anxious that all initiations to date which have not been reported to him properly should be announced to him at once. If the above statement is correct, certain chapters will need official investigation. It will be seen that the showing made by the majority is very creditable and encouraging. The only proper way for chapters to do is to comply strictly with the letter of the constitution in regard to these matters.

As stated in the last number of the Palm, active preparations are on foot for the establishment of a chapter in New York city which will be practically a revival of New York Alpha Lambda, once a strong and aggressive chapter in New York city. Brother John M. Thompson, president of the New York Alumni Association, is deeply interested in the movement, and is being ably seconded by his associates. We have no doubt that in the next Palm we shall have the pleasure of announcing the re-establishment of a chapter which was once a source of pride to all Alpha Taus, and which will prove in every way a credit to our fraternity system, as it will be established, if at all, on a strictly conservative basis. The initiation ceremonies will probably take place about January 10th, and it is expected that all chapters near New York will send delegates, and all alumni will attend. All such should communicate with Brother John M. Thompson, 35 Wall street, New York. It is expected that Brothers Glazebrook and Thomas, of the High Council, will attend, and our Worthy Grand Chief will also probably attend.

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At last Alpha Tau Omega has secured a foothold in classic Boston, the Athens of America. To be sure she has had, for the last few years, splendid representation at Tufts College, only a short distance out from the New England metropolis, and, away back in 1885, a charter was granted to petitioners at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, establishing a Massachusetts Beta Gamma, but the organization never progressed beyond this initiatory stage. So, in reality, Boston has never known a good live chapter or association of Alpha Tau Omega. But that time has passed, fortunately, for, we are informed, that on the 7th of November an association, to be known as the Boston Alumni Association, was organized with thirteen charter members. Brother James Benton Werner, '90, of Pennsylvania Alpha Iota, now pastor of the Church of our Redeemer, of Lexington, Massachusetts, being chairman of executive committee. There are, undoubtedly, many brothers in Boston and vicinity, and it is hoped that all who have not already done so will promptly affiliate. All alumni residing in Boston and vicinity are eligible to membership. It is the purpose of the

founders to make the association a center for all Alpha Taus within a reasonable distance of the city. The charter members are earnest, zealous and determined to win success for their organization, and bring back as much as possible, the pleasures of old college and chapter house days. They have the earnest support of all the officers and the High Council of the fraternity, and the Palm extends to them best wishes and trusts that they may be even more prosperous and beneficial to the fraternity than the helpful alumni associations already in existence. Let every brother who can conveniently join communicate with Brother Werner.

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Alpha Tau Omega was well and creditably represented on Fraternity Day at the Atlanta Exposition, as will fully appear in the account of same from the Atlanta Constitution, printed elsewhere in this number. Brothers John Young Garlington and A. C. Newell were on the committee of arrangements, and did splendid service, while the principal address of the day was made by another Alpha Tau, who is well known throughout the South. And when it came to the choosing of a president for the Pan-Hellenic Association, Brother Garlington was the unanimous choice, and the editor of the Palm was also honored with a position on the committee on constitution.

While the fraternity as a whole has never been prepared to adopt a Pan-Hellenic platform to the extent once advocated by Brother Walter T. Daniel, she has always been prepared to meet other Greeks more than half way in all united efforts to promote the good of the college fraternity system as a whole, and Alpha Tau Omega was in the movement for a Pan-Hellenic demonstration at the World's Fair, from the beginning to the end, just as she was at Atlanta. We are not advised as to the exact nature and scope of the association organized at the latter city, and it is a question as to just what matters would properly come before such an organization, or what powers it might exercise, but if it can be made helpful to Greek letter men in any way, we believe that Alpha Tau will give it hearty support. The proper treatment of cases of lifting and the business interests of all fraternities are matters which would doubtless command attention.

OBITER DICTA.

The close rivalry of fraternities often entails disastrous results. Each is anxious to lead and outshine all others. Only the best chapter house in college, the best standing in society and athletics, and the best and most stylish clothes, satisfy the undergraduate. His badge must have as many diamonds in it as a rival frat man's and in every way he must live first-class. The chapter house is naturally the most considerable element in the race. At Cornell University, where more fraternities are represented than at any other college in the country, some very elegant club houses have been built lately. Delta Kappa Epsilon and Zeta Psi have even outdone wealthy Kappa Alpha in this respect. It is now reported that both these chapters have had considerable financial difficulty lately, and one of our exchanges has even stated that the Zeta Psi boys have been forced to give up their house. But this is a mistake. We understand that a building fund was accumulated for something like twenty years for the purpose of building this house, each brother who left college giving a note for \$100, nearly all of which obligations were afterwards paid. This gave the chapter a very considerable fund, and their equity in their house must be large. At any rate they still occupy it and expect to continue to do so. Of Delta Kappa Epsilon, much the same thing may be said. Both of these fraternities have a number of alumni who could, individually, help their chapter out of its troubles, without feeling the financial burden very much, and they probably would promptly do so, if its existence was menaced.

But it seems that all records of large investments have been broken by the Cornell chapter of Chi Psi. For several years it has occupied a very pleasant house, with extensive grounds, on one of the principal residence streets of Ithaca, and which represented an investment of \$18,000. But the Chi Psis were not satisfied, and what was the surprise when a short time ago it was announced that they had bought the famous McGraw-Fiske mansion, one of the most beautiful private residences in the country, in point of location and external architectural

effect, the interior never having been finished, owing to Mrs. McGraw-Fiske's untimely death and the ensuing litigation, which was terminated only in the Supreme Court of the United States. The mansion represented an investment of \$120,000, and the five acres of ground were bought for \$20,000; so that \$40,000 was a remarkably low price, although far and away beyond the bank account of the average chapter. The secret of the purchase is said to be found in the fact that the Chi Psi at Cornell number among their members two enormously wealthy young men, and that these have bought the place, and will furnish the interior of the mansion, and have also furnished an endowment fund to keep up the establishment. Altogether, the good fortune of the chapter is something remarkable. There can be no question that it now possesses one of the most elegant club houses in the United States and one whose location, above Lake Cayuga and near a romantic gorge, is unsurpassed. We trust that some time in the future Alpha Tau may have a similar experience.

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Nearly all of our exchanges have quoted and commented on an article which appeared in the New York Sun some time ago, in regard to college fraternity badges being found in pawn shops. The editor of the Theta Delta Chi Shield determined to investigate, and the Bowery, in the vicinity of Broome street, was visited. A dozen shops were visited, and no badges were found in any of them. Finally, a visit was paid to Rosenthal's Curiosity Shop, at No. 254 Broadway, and there all kinds of athletic badges, Masonic pins, and badges of nearly all secular organizations were found; and there were also a Delta Kappa Epsilon and a Phi Gamma Delta pin, the former from the New York chapter, bearing owner's name and class, and the latter bearing no inscription. The investigator was gratified at finding so few badges, and remarks, "Straws show which way the wind blows, therefore, we are comforted with the thought that it is rare for a fraternity man to reach so degraded a position as would make it necessary to pawn his college badge." We believe this is true, and that badges which are found in pawnshops have usually either been stolen or lost. We have never made a tour of Chicago pawn shops, but have no doubt fraternity

badges would be found in them. In fact, the other day the editor of the Palm stepped into one and saw a jewelled Phi Delta Theta pin, but no other. As a matter of fact the badges are not the best sort of collateral, the jewels with which they are set being usually too small to have much intrinsic value.

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One of the great annoyances of fraternity journalism, and one which seems almost unavoidable, is the delay usually experienced in getting out the numbers of the magazine. At first blush, there seems no reason why this should be so, but practically, nearly every editor finds, although he may think he has made a liberal allowance for all possible delays, the announced date of publication has passed several days, and perhaps weeks, before his magazine is actually mailed. Sometimes it is one thing and sometimes another that causes the disappointment. Chapter letters are rarely in on time, and other articles are usually prepared by correspondents at odd times and do not reach the editor when promised. At the last moment he must turn in and fill space which he had considered amply provided for. Then there are often vexatious delays at the printers, as the job is neglected, just because the editor can never tell the exact day when he can go to press, and so somebody else gets in ahead of him with a big job. And, furthermore, the editor himself is usually not a gentleman of leisure, and very often important business interferes with proper attention to his journalistic work. We believe that a great many editors are lawyers, and we know of one who is a doctor, and another who is a journalist, and all are very busy men, and so it is no wonder that there are often protests from the unthinking and inexperienced on account of the delay referred to. One of the fraternities has been experimenting with a plan to avoid this, which has not proved altogether satisfactory. For some time the Caduceus of Kappa Sigma has appeared at the dates announced for publication, no matter whether chapter letters or other articles were in on time or not. The result of the experiment is announced as follows in the November number: "In pursuance of that decree our magazine has appeared promptly since that time, and in our judgment has not deteriorated, but the terrible cost in time and labor that the editors have been compelled

to expend to carry out that decree makes it doubtful whether the future will see such determined promptitude unless more aid is received from the brothers. The lack of really acceptable matter that comes to our office is startling, and even that which is valuable comes often at such a date that it is useless to us." And in another place: "With a great flourish we announced that beginning with the July number the magazine would appear on the date for its issue. For two numbers we were successful, but the present finds us behind the time. A fair portion of the blame is ours; a goodly portion must rest with tardy contributors. We have paid our respects to those fellows in another article and all we wish to say is, everyone give us his co-operation, and if we are not out on time hereafter, heap on the abuse." As a matter of fact, it is possible to get a magazine out on time, but it must be unsatisfactory in many respects and made up largely of reprints from other magazines. Our experience has been such, that we do not think it possible to announce and adhere to exact dates of publication.

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Some surprise has been caused by the fact that Psi Upsilon has entered the field of fraternity journalism as certain of the Eastern fraternities have heretofore seemed to regard a magazine as a superfluity in their system, or, at least, something not worthy the trouble and expense entailed. The Psi Upsilon Review is a very modest and unassuming publication of something like forty-five pages, largely devoted to saying good things about Psi Upsilon and making a comparison of that fraternity with a rival, Delta Kappa Epsilon, much to the advantage of the former. A very imposing roll of great names is given, and on this the claim of superiority is based. For advertising purposes or for spiking material this may be very well, but, as a matter of fact, the mere fact that some famous personage wears the same badge as yourself is a very small part of the real enjoyment and benefit derived from fraternity membership. Taking into consideration her youth, Alpha Tau Omega can point to as distinguished a roll of members as any rival, but when one thinks over the pleasures and benefits she has conferred little thought is given to this. And yet some initiates may be

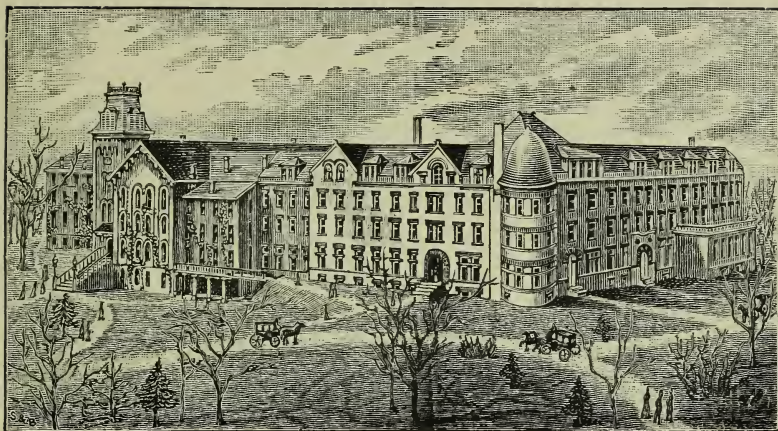
won by the argument of the Review, and we shall never be sorry that such wear the diamond pin of Psi Upsilon, instead of the Maltese Cross.

A noteworthy feature of the Review is the absence of the customary chapter letters. Instead of these interesting productions, brief summaries of the important news at the different colleges are given, and, doubtless, these are more generally read than the letters.

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In the last number of the Palm Bro. L. E. Wolfe, of O. Beta Mu, announced the finding of an Alpha Tau pin in a New York pawnshop, and advertised for the owner. We are informed by Brother Wolfe, that, within ten days after the number was issued, he received a letter from the owner, Miss Cora Caruthers, of New Orleans, whose attention had been directed to the advertisement by Brother Thomas Waterman, of La. Beta Epsilon. The owner states that the pin, together with other valuables, was stolen three years ago, while she was on a trip from Niagara to New York. All efforts to trace it proved in vain. As Miss Caruthers is a very staunch and loyal sister, and the pin was the gift of a friend, who has since died, she missed it very much, and was highly delighted to recover it. Bro. Wolfe has been instrumental in recovering another also, within the last few months, which belonged to Bro. Evans, of Vt. Beta Zeta, and had been stolen three years before in Massachusetts.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS.



MONNETT HALL.



SIDE VIEW OF UNIVERSITY HALL AND GRAY CHAPEL, WITH MERRICK HALL OF SCIENCE TO LEFT, AND THOMPSON CHAPEL ON THE RIGHT.

IN MEMORIAM

William Wallace Bussey, Jr., died at his home in Savannah, Ga., Saturday, November 9th, in the nineteenth year of his age. He was born May 20th, 1877.

Bro. Bussey entered the class of "95," at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute in the fall of 1892. On June 12th, 1895, he received the degree of B. Sc., having stood high in his class. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

Bro. Bussey was an Alpha Tau in every respect and most worthy to wear the "Maltese Cross." By his death Alpha Epsilon loses one of her most beloved and loyal members. His death came very unexpectedly to us, for when we parted last June, he was in good health, high spirits, and a bright future for him was anticipated by every one.

RESOLUTIONS

Hall of Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father in his wise providence has seen fit to take from us our beloved Bro. Wm. W. Bussey, Jr., thus causing a great loss,—seemingly irreparable—to Alpha Tau Omega, as well as to his own family, and the community at large, and,

Whereas, It is our duty to bow in humble submission to the divine will of the all-wise God, who ordains all things for the best, be it therefore,

Resolved, That we, the Alpha Epsilon Chapter, deeply deplore the loss of one who was an earnest conscientious student, an affectionate friend, and a loyal brother.

Resolved, that we extend our profound and deepest sympathy to the bereaved family, and to all who hold him in loving remembrance.

Resolved, That the above notice and resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our chapter, a copy be sent to the family of our deceased brother, and a copy to the Opelika Post, to the Orange and Blue, and to the Palm.

M. J. Bancroft,
H. S. Henderson,
G. D. Bomp,

F. T. Jackson,
H. E. Memminger,
Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE W. G. K. A.

My Dear Brothers: I have just received a letter from Bro. Ehle, asking me to make a statement to the fraternity, in regard to work on the Directory. This I can do in a few words. My records of all chapters of the fraternity are posted, up to date, and are kept so, waiting for the time when we can secure the necessary funds to have the Directory printed.

The matter of transcribing records for the publishers will not consume a great deal of time, but at present we have no funds to pay for the publication of a Directory.

If all the chapters would adhere strictly to our Constitution, Art. II, Sec. 5, and Art. X, Sec. 3, then, I believe the necessary funds for the publication of the Directory would be forthcoming. There is altogether too much carelessness among some of our chapters in regard to this matter, and it should be stopped at once. Let every W. M. see that these articles and sections of our Constitution are obeyed, and then I think we can secure the money for a Directory.

Most fraternally,

Jas. E. Green, W. G. K. A.

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To the W. K. A.'s of the Chapters of A. T. O. Fraternity.

Dear Brothers:—Please let me insist upon your sending me a report of each initiate of your chapter, on W. G. K. A. blank A., immediately upon the initiation of a candidate. If you do not remember to do this it will be very hard for me to keep the records of your chapter correct.

Please notify me of all deaths, honors, etc., among your members or alumni. Again let me urge you to reply promptly to all of my communications. Some W. K. A.'s have treated by letters in a business like way, and replied at once, but many of the chapters, or officers, pay no attention whatever to my repeated communications. If you will consider for a moment, my brothers, the volume of correspondence

which your W. G. K. A. has to attend to, I think you surely would be courteous enough to reply to his letters promptly, and thus materially aid him in his duties to the fraternity. It is impossible for me to keep the chapter records correct, unless the chapter officers will assist me.

Yours fraternally,

Jas. E. Green, W. G. K. A.

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Editor of the Palm, Dear Brother:—In your article, "A Complete List of Chapters," published in Vol. XV, No. 3, page 220, I find several errors which I think should be corrected, viz: On page 222, you have a notice of N. C. Chi (Trinity College N. C.). Now, there is no chapter by that name and as far as I can find in examining the records of our fraternity there never has been a chapter of that name. It should be N. C. Xi. I notice you have the same mistake in the list of chapters on the inside of front cover of the Palm. I hope N. C. Xi, Trinity College, Durham, will take notice of this and get the chapter name correct. On page 225 there are several errors: I find no record whatever of there ever having been a chapter established at Univ. of La., and I think La. Alpha Gamma, should have been, California Alpha Gamma, Univ. of Cal., Berkeley, as I have an account of a charter being given to that Univ. in 1878, chapter named Cal. Alpha Gamma, but as there are no reports of initiates, I do not think the chapter was ever established. Ark. Alpha Chi, should be Ark. Alpha Xi, as the chapter at S. C. Military Academy was Alpha Chi. S. C. Beta Chi should be S. C. Beta Xi, as the chapter at Haverford College, Pa., was Beta Chi.

You will notice that all these errors are in the Greek letter Chi: that is because of its close resemblance to the letter Xi.

It would seem, from looking over this chapter list that Chi and Xi chapters of A. T. O. have been fated, a severy one of them is now defunct. When we come to Gamma Xi. I think it would be well to skip that letter and call the chapter Gamma Omicron, so as to avoid the fate which, it seems, has come upon all Xi and Chi chapters.

Yours fraternally,

Jas. E. Green, W. G. K. A.

OFFICIAL NOTICES.

The W. G. K. A. is anxious to obtain the addresses of the following brothers: P. V. Mikle, R. H. Pittman and Chas. E. Gregg, all of South Carolina. The records were sent in on the old blanks, and there is no way of tracing them. They cannot be properly enrolled until the W. G. K. A. is informed by what chapter they were recently initiated. Any brother having this information, will please communicate with Bro. James E. Green, Lock Box 271, Russellville, Ark.

Worthy Grand Chief Glazebrook desires to know what New England chapter sent him a set of By-Laws for approval two or three months ago, and which he signed and returned. He would like to know of anyone who could give him information in regard to the chapter which existed at Hampden-Sidney, Va, not very long ago, and which was known as Va. Beta Sigma.

Emmett Craig has been expelled from Tennessee Omega chapter of this fraternity, for conduct unbecoming an A. T. O.

Note carefully the following addresses of Grand Officers: Larkin W. Glazebrook, M. D., Worthy Grand Chief, 1403 New York Ave., Washington, D. C.; Zac. Tolliver, W. G. K. E., Custom House, Nashville, Tenn.; James E. Green, W. G. K. A., Russellville, Ark.; N. Wiley Thomas, Ph. D., Chairman of High Council, Girard College, Philadelphia, Pa.; E. I. Renick, Worthy Grand Chancellor, Department of State, Washington, D. C.; Louis C. Ehle, Editor of Palm, 1111 Ashland Block, Chicago.

Remember that the Palm subscription price is one dollar and a half per volume, payable in advance. Subscriptions for Vol. XVI. are now due.

Any one desiring to dispose of back numbers of the Palm, will please communicate with the editor. We shall also be glad to publish lists of numbers wanted by any brother.

Mail all communications intended for No. II., Vol. XVI., so as to reach the editor not later than February 10th. Matter received subsequent to that date will probably not be used.

Exchanges:—The Palm desires to exchange with all reputable fraternity magazines and those devoted to kindred interests, and requests that one copy each be sent to Prof. N. Wiley Thomas, Ph. D., Girard College, Philadelphia, Pa.; L. W. Glazebrook, M. D., 1403 New York Ave., Washington, D. C.; and Louis C. Ehle, 1111 Ashland Block, Chicago. Three copies will be sent in exchange to any address given.

Note that Palm address is now 1111 Ashland Block, Chicago.

PERSONALS AND NEWS ITEMS.

At the last meeting and banquet of the Chicago Alumni Association, which was the annual meeting, Bro. E. A. Thornton, of N. Y. Alpha Omicron, was elected president; Bro. W. S. Dole, of N. Y. Beta Theta, vice-president, and Bro. E. P. Lyon, Mich. Beta Kappa, secretary and treasurer. Western extension and other matters were discussed.

The University of Vermont has lately spent about \$250,000 on three new buildings. Vt. Beta Zeta is sharing in the present era of prosperity at Burlington.

Bro. W. R. Eckart, Jr., M. E., '94, of N. Y. Beta Theta, has been compelled to abandon the advanced work which he undertook this fall at Cornell University, owing to trouble with his eyes. He is now in Chicago, with the Siemens-Halske Electric Company.

Bro. B. M. Harris, M. E., '90, N. Y. Beta Theta, is now in Mexico, in the employ of a mining company.

Bro. C. H. Fenn, of Mich. Beta Omicron, is now in Chicago, as Superintendent of the Children's Aid Society.

Bro. Eugene Andrews, A. B., '94, N. Y. Beta Theta, is studying Greek at Athens, Greece, at the American School of Classical Studies, under Professor B. I. Wheeler, of Cornell University. It is probable that this school will undertake excavations next year in the Island of Crete, the traditional site of one hundred cities.

It is reported that President Harper, of Chicago University, does not approve of the manner in which Greek letter fraternities are run at that institution.

The eighteenth biennial convention of the Kappa Alpha (Southern) fraternity was held at Atlanta, Ga., on Sept. 25th last. It is the rule that the delegate oldest in point of years should call the convention to order. No legislation of importance was enacted, and the chapters and alumni were well represented, and a very enjoyable time was had. All of the old officers were re-elected, without opposition. Hereafter no chapter can be established at an institution where there are less than one hundred collegiate students in attendance, the old minimum number having been sixty-five. Provision was made for the appointment of an associate editor of the Journal at a salary of \$150 a year. The unprejudiced verdict of the convention was against Northern Ex-

tension. An extra degree for alumni was also voted down. One hundred brothers attended the banquet.

Dr. Thomas Johnson is practicing medicine at Spartanburg, S. C. We believe he was a member of S. C. Beta Phi.

Rev. Theodore D. Bratton is rector of a church at Spartanburg, S. C.

Ed. J. Mosser, a member of Penna. Alpha Iota, and afterwards graduated at Harvard, has removed to Chicago, where he will teach in the Harvard School. His address is 249 La Salle avenue.

Bro. J. E. Warnoch, an alumnus of S. C. Beta Phi. is in business at Bluffton, S. C., and Bro. W. B. Evans, of the same chapter, is located at Sellers, S. C.

Within a few months, a revised catalogue of The Legal Fraternity of Phi Delta Phi will be issued. Said order has about 4,000 members, most of whom are graduates of the leading twenty-two law schools of the United States and Canada. Each member of said fraternity is requested to write to the Secretary, Geo. A. Katzenberger, at Greenville, Darke Co., Ohio, giving him necessary data for said catalogue.

Wanted.—Vermont Beta Zeta lacks Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of Vol. X; Nos. 3 and 4 of Vol. 9, and Nos. 1 and 2 of Vol. 7, to complete chapter files. Any brother having these numbers or any of them will please communicate with Bro. R. M. Taft, 100 Church St., Burlington, Vt.

Bro. W. Q. Vreeland, of Tenn. Beta Pi, is now located at Owensboro, Ky. He is very much gratified at the wonderful progress and prosperity of his old chapter, having himself been a very active worker while at college, and still maintaining his deep interest in his chapter and fraternity.

Bro. W. W. Wright, of Beta Omicron, has returned to his position in the Secretary of State's Office, at Lansing, Mich.

Bro. H. P. Butz, a member of Pa. Alpha Iota, and afterwards a graduate of Yale, is taking a post-graduate course at the Chicago University.

By a mistake, it was announced in the last number of the Palm, that Bro. Robert B. Miller was in the Eastern Hospital, at Goldsboro, N. C. Bro. Miller informs us that this will probably be considered a great joke on him by his friends and those who know what the Hospital is, as it is devoted to the care of the insane, Bro. Miller's father being Medical Superintendent. Our brother is now at the Medical College, at Richmond, Va., and informs us that there is strong probability that an Alumni Association will soon be organized at this birthplace of

Alpha Tau Omega. The Palm tenders its sincere apologies to Bro. Miller for the mistake referred to above.

Bro. W. G. Atwood, of N. Y. Beta Theta went on the Southern trip with First Regiment of the National Guard of Illinois, as quartermaster. He also played on the football team. The trip included Nashville, Atlanta, Savannah and Charleston.

Bro. William H. Jones, of N. C. Chi, is now Master of Pomfret School, at Pomfret Centre, Conn., and is also choirmaster and organist of Christ Memorial Church at the same place. The choir consists of boys and men, surpliced, and is one of the finest in the country. Pomfret Centre is a very elegant and select summer residence town, being the summer home of some of the oldest families in New England, and the school is very select indeed.

The Milwaukee Daily News, of Nov. 12th, announces that Bro. A. F. Young, M. D., of Ohio Beta Mu, has been elected East Side Physician by the County Board: success to Brother Young.

Bro. E. J. Fort, C. E., of N. Y. Beta Theta, is Assistant Civil Engineer of the city of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Bro. J. C. Staley, Va. Alpha '77-'80, of Baltimore, has forwarded to the Palm death notices of Bro. Walter H. Staley, who was a member of Va. Epsilon chapter, at Roanoke College, from 1874-6 and of Va. Alpha, at Va. Military Institute, from 1876-80. The following clipping gives more details: "Mr. Walter H. Staley died suddenly July 21st, 1895, of apoplexy at the home of his father, Mr. George R. Staley, 1817 Guilford avenue, Baltimore. He was thirty-six years old and was born in Shepherdstown, W. Va. About twenty years ago he came to Baltimore and until several years ago was in the wholesale grocery business with his father. Mr. Staley was twice married. His first wife was Miss Dennison, of Virginia. After her death he married Miss Parker, of Baltimore, who, with two children by his first wife, survives him."

Bro. E. J. Senn., M. D., of Pa. Alpha Iota, a graduate of Rush Medical College, Chicago, is building up a very fine practice. His downtown office is in the Marshall Field Building. He is also a demonstrator at Rush.

The Kappa Alpha Journal for October contains excellent likenesses of Bros. A. C. Newell and John Y. Garlington, both of whom were prominently identified with the movement to hold a fraternities day at the Atlanta Exposition, on Nov. 18th, the successful result of which is

chronicled elsewhere. The editor of the Journal attributes to Bro. Walter Travers Daniel, formerly editor of the Palm, the credit of originating the pan-Hellenic movement, of which this was the outcome. Bro. Newell is on the staff of the Atlanta Constitution, and is a graduate of the University of Georgia, in the class of 1891, while Brother Garlington is an alumnus of Tennessee Omega.

A chapter of Kappa Sigma has lately been established at the Georgia School of Technology.

Some of the fraternity magazines announce that Alpha Tau Omega is probably extinct at the University of Michigan. To set the matter at rest, let it be announced that there has been no organized chapter of this fraternity at Ann Arbor for something over a year.

The annual meeting of the High Council was held at the Ebbitt House, Washington, on Nov. 27th. Bro's. Thomas, Glazebrook and Green were present. Bro. Shives had intended to attend but was detained at the last moment, as was also Bro. Ehle. The affairs of the fraternity were found to be in excellent condition.

Bro. F. B. Graves, of Mich. Beta Lambda, formerly of New Whatcom, Wash., is at present working for the Oakland, San Leandro and Haywoods Electric Railway Co., and his address is Elmhurst, Cal.

Ga. Alpha Zeta was unintentionally omitted from the list of chapters in last Palm. It was a printer's error. The chapter is all right, as will be seen from the letter in this number.

Bro. W. A. Turk, general passenger agent for the Southern Railroad, who delivered some splendid papers recently before the Association of General Passenger Agents in Boston, and which were very highly commended, has purchased a daily paper in Staunton, Va.

Bro. W. E. Faison, who has been chief of the consular bureau under this administration, has been appointed solicitor of the State Department.

Bro. Max Erdman, of Pa. Alpha Iota, has been appointed private secretary to the Hon. Erdman, M. C., and will make his home in Washington.

La. Beta Epsilon has sent the Palm a copy of her very creditable annual report for 1895, which was issued in due time, but it seems that there was an oversight in sending copies to grand officers and the Palm.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

See that every member of your chapter subscribes for the Palm. This is a strict requirement and must be enforced.

Answer all communications from Grand Officers at once.

You must have a letter in each number of the Palm. Note the \$5.00 fine provided at Congress. It should contain all the news, but must be condensed as much as possible, on account of the large number of chapters.

Punctuate carefully, and write plainly. Be very particular about making the spelling of names legible.

Send in all the personals and clippings you can, separate from your chapter letter.

Follow the form of heading of letters as they appear in the Palm, giving merely the name of chapter, college and town. Dates and all other superfluous matter should be omitted. An observance of this rule will save the editor much time.

Owing to the large number of chapters, chapter letters must not exceed 500 words. Bear this in mind. Never write on both sides of the sheet for publication. Such matter must be rewritten before the printer will set it up.

See that your chapter's Palm dues are paid promptly in advance, for each active member. Every active member must subscribe for the Palm. This requirement must be strictly complied with. The next number will appear in the month of February, if possible, and chapter correspondents should send their letters so as to reach the editor by February 10th, at the latest.

Be a little careful about the use of superlatives and general boastfulness. Be enthusiastic, but not bombastic. Your fraternity is the best there is, and she does not need constant strained panegyrics. The men who write them very often fail to pay subscriptions after they leave college.

Be honest; be fair; be manly—in short, be an Alpha Tau in the full sense of the noble meaning of the name.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON, ALA. POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE. AUBURN.

Since our last letter to the Palm, our chapter has been gradually increasing in numbers, for we have led into the mysteries of Alpha Tau Omega three men: T. M. Barrett, R. W. Collins and A. R. Bingham, all of whom are worthy to wear the Maltese Cross.

In the promotion of officers, Alpha Tau Omega received her full share, for out of thirteen corporals, who were selected from a class of seventy, she obtained three, and from eight sergeants she received two.

Among the corporals, Bro's. Memminger, Stewart and Mason were selected. The sergeants were Bros. Jones and Collins.

We were very sorry to lose Bro. G. D. Bornp by expulsion from College, for he was an enthusiastic Alpha Tau.

Our chapter now numbers seventeen and all are doing well in their studies and everything seems to indicate a prosperous year for Alpha Epsilon. We expect to have two or three of our old brothers with us after Christmas.

Since our last letter we have received the sad news of the death of one of our most promising alumni, Bro. W. W. Bussey, Jr., of Savannah, Georgia. Bro. Bussey received the degree of B. S. last commencement, having been an energetic worker for Alpha Tau Omega. At the time of his death he was engaged in electrical engineering.

Bro. Bickerstuf of '95 is now engaged in electrical work at Atlanta, Ga. "Bick" is as enthusiastic an A. T. O. as ever.

Bro. Jennings, also of '95, is now located at Seal, Ala.

Bro. Hodge Drake, M. D., of Opelika, Ala., has recently taken unto himself a better half. Alpha Epsilon extends to him her heartiest congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy life.

On the football team we are represented by Bro. Mixon, who does splendid work as left tackle.

In behalf of Alpha Epsilon, we take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation for the kind invitation and hospitality shown us by our brothers in Atlanta, Ga.

We have already sent on for plans for our chapter house and expect to be in our new quarters by May.

We will then be placed on a firm foundation.

With best wishes for the Palm and success of our sister chapters, we remain,
H. S. Henderson, Correspondent.

ALABAMA BETA BETA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, GREENSBORO.

Since our last letter to the Palm, Beta Beta has enjoyed her usual serenity, and her success for this year is assured.

We have had no initiation since our last report, yet we have a splendid chapter of sixteen active members, all full of true fraternity spirit.

We hold weekly meetings in our chapter hall, which keep aglow the fires of our enthusiasm and are always enjoyed.

In the recent Ladies' Debates of the literary societies, we were represented by Bros. McCord, Chadwick and Slaughter, each of whom did himself credit and reflected great honor upon our chapter.

Bro. J. P. Roberts will represent Beta Beta on the occasion of the Clariosophic Anniversary.

We had the delightful pleasure of having with us a few weeks ago one of our alumni brothers of '93, Bro. Henry D. McCarthy. Bro. McCarthy still has his old time enthusiasm for A. T. O., and his visit

was a treat to us all. He is now a leading young attorney of the Tuscaloosa bar.

Our boys continue to invade the social realm, and we are decidedly in the lead of the other fraternities in point of sisters' auxiliary. Our A. T. O. sisters are loyal and true, and more also, they are the sweetest and best in our college town.

With fraternal greeting to every Alpha Tau,

I. W. Howard, Correspondent.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Bro. F. E. Porter, class of '87, Ala. B. B., who graduated at the head of the law classes at Washington, D. C., is now in the government service at that place.

Bro. R. H. Long, of the Ala. B. B. class of '87, has charge of the engineering corps employed by the government to survey the Chippewa Indian reservation in Minnesota.

Bro. J. R. Goodloe of the Ala. B. B. class of '88, is making quite a reputation as a physician in the progressive little city of Demopolis, Ala.

ALA. BETA DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF ALA., TUSCALOOSA.

Since our last letter to the Palm we have initiated two new men, viz: Bros. Denson J. '99, and Echols, '99, both of Gadsden, Ala. We take pleasure in introducing them to the fraternity at large. Our chapter now numbers sixteen active members. We lost four men by graduation last year. They were: Bro's. Seay, who is principal of the Clinton High School; Dewberry, who is professor of Latin at the Blauntsville Military Academy; Bro. McConnell is studying law in Centre; Bro. Thorington, who took up our law course, is practicing in Montgomery. Bro. Brown, D. H., who was a post graduate last year, has settled in Mobile where he is teaching. Bro. McConnell was with us at the opening of school and assisted us in spiking the new men. While we were very sorry indeed to give up the above brothers we are sure Beta Delta will never send forth a finer set of men to fight life's battles. The other men who failed to return are Bro. Woodson, who is in Virginia: Bro. Meam is merchandising in Baligee, while Bro. Wellborn has affiliated with Louisiana Beta Epsilon.

We had a visit last week from Bro. Jno. C. Pugh, Beta Delta '85, who now resides at Gadsden. He was one of Beta Delta's first initiates and is as fine a fellow as ever wore the Maltese Cross. He gave us a number of points and his visit was an enjoyable one. Although Bro. Pugh is a rising young lawyer, he still finds time to keep us posted in regard to good fraternity material. It is rather early to speak of honors yet, but we have already secured the following: Bro. Drennen, who is our only senior, is captain of Company "B," secretary and treasurer of the Athletic Association, business manager of the Crimson-White, our Col-

lege weekly, and secretary and treasurer of the senior class. Bro. Hayes is a sgt. in "B Co". Bro. Godfrey is a sgt. in Co. "B", secretary and treasurer of junior class, and assistant business manager of the "Corolla," our College annual. Bro. White, W. T., is president and Bro. Pickens secretary and treasurer of the sophomore class. We have organized the A. T. O. Aethretic Club, the rules of which are that each member is required to furnish a "box" when his time arrives. We have a spread after each one of our weekly meetings and the cost is moderate, each man having to furnish two boxes annually. A good degree of fraternity feeling exists among us, and it is safe to say Beta Delta will hold her own this year, as she has always done. Success to Palm.

Fraternally yours,

W. C. Pickens, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS.

Owing to the sickness of our last year's correspondent and the tardiness of our chapter in appointing one for this year, it has been some time since we have reported to the Palm. By failing to do so we delayed an opportunity of showing to our sister chapters how much can be accomplished when each brother goes to work with all his might.

When we commenced work in the year '94-'95, we had but four active members and they were meeting in the same little rooms, furnished with the same furniture, used by our brothers of twelve and more years ago.

We ask you to look and see what we have done in the past year and a half. From four men we have increased to fourteen, and we feel that the high standard raised by our predecessors has not been lowered one iota. We have moved from the rooms we used to assemble in into nice new ones and furnished them throughout in elegant style. While we are somewhat in arrears financially, we can see our way clear, and before this year will have passed by we will have a small bank account to our credit.

We lost two of our brothers by graduation last year. Bro. Bennett, who got a senior speaker's place in declamation, took a regular A. B. diploma. He is now principal of a thriving school in Cave Springs, where he expects to teach for a few years, and then enter the Baptist ministry. Bro. O'Neil took a diploma in law, and now has his shingle swinging to the breezes in the hustling city of Bainbridge, Ga.

We succeeded in taking in four new men at the opening of this session, whom we feel sure will be a valuable addition to our chapter. Already they have begun to distinguish themselves in music, athletics and in the class room. Bro. Grey, from Jackson, Ga., plays sweetly on almost every kind of instrument. Bro. Wynn, from Newnan, Ga., will very probably make "'varsity football" team next year. Bro. Perkins, from Augusta, is right among the leaders of the class of '98. Bro. Steven-

son, who hails from Alabama, by his mathematical mind, succeeds in solving all the difficult problems brought before him and keeps the boys in a good humor by his natural wit and pleasant manner.

We all meet regularly every Saturday evening in our new quarters and always, after our business is attended to, have a social meeting, which is a source of much enjoyment to all the brothers. We feel as if we had solid rock for our foundation and that now we are happy on the road to great success.

R. E. Brown, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA THETA, EMORY COLLEGE, OXFORD.

Another term has opened and a few months of it have already passed, and our chapter entered upon another year with her banner unfurled to breezes, suggestive of a bright future.

This fall term marks the entrance of the largest number of new men into College in the history of old Emory. And while so many new men have entered College, we have been successful in getting the "pick of the flock." These are the words several of the professors used in expressing their opinion of our new men. The reports of last spring term show that Alpha Theta has men at the top of each class, while political honors are always attainable. As usual Alpha Tau Omega has her share of men on the impromptu debate, which is the highest honor that a literary society here can confer on its members in the fall term. At last commencement Alpha Tau Omega carried off her customary share of medals. We had as many speakers' places as any fraternity, and our men acquitted themselves with honor.

At our last meeting Mr. C. C. Gilbert was initiated into the mysteries of Alpha Tau Omega and is now Bro. C. C. Gilbert.

Our chapter now consists of twenty-four members, all of whom are men of sterling worth. We have initiated seven men this term, and of course they are all worthy wearers of the Maltese Cross. The following are our new brothers: Bro. C. C. Tuck, '98; Bro. Dixon, '98; Bro. Brown, '98; Bro. Morgan, '98; Bro. Canthen, '98; Bro. Brand, '99; Bro. Gilbert, '99. We wish the Palm and fraternity a prosperous year. May the present year be the best known in the history of Alpha Tau Omega.

R. F. Cary, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA ZETA, MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON.

We regret very much that we did not have a letter in the last issue of the Palm, but we were unable to organize in time to get a letter for publication.

Only two men returned this fall to resume the responsibility of our chapter, Bro's. Hurst and Massey having graduated in the class of '95. Bro. Glass, '97, and myself were the only ones who returned. We were very much surprised and encouraged to find Bro. Smith, '93, here.

There was no time to be lost and we set to work on the new men. There was no superabundance of fraternity material, so we had to go slow. We have the honor of introducing the following initiates: Arthur Farrell, law student; Joseph Sears, law student; Max Cawood, class '99; Oliver A. Toole, class '97, and J. Henderson Dodson, class '99.

Bro. Farrell is from Milledgeville, Ga. He bids fair to be a great lawyer, and in the short space of time he has been here, has won the reputation of a "typical lawyer." Bro. Sears is the next man we have to introduce to the A. T. O. world. He is also a member of the law class, but his reputation here has been along a different line. He is a great athlete and holds the position of quarter back on our College team. Bro. Sears is from Kissimmee, Florida. Bro. Cawood is from Americus, Ga., and is a very bright boy. He has won some distinction as a debator and orator in one of our literary societies. Bro. Dodson is also from Americus, Ga., and is likewise a member of the lucky class of '99. Bro. Toole is a resident of Macon, and has been in college two years. We feel very much complimented in having him, as all the other fraternities have rushed him.

In the annual election of officers in Phi Delta Literary Society, Bro. Glass was elected a debator. There were four candidates for this office and it took some work on our part to elect him. Bro. Glass is center rush in our football team, and it is due to the ability of him and Bro. Sears that we defeated the town boys in a recent game.

We have a holiday to go to the Atlanta Exposition on the 28th of November, and are looking forward to it with a great deal of pleasure. With much success to Palm and the chapters, fraternally submitted,
Henry B. Johnson, Correspondent.

LA. BETA EPSILON, TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS.

With a feeling of pride the writer enters upon his duty as correspondent of La. Beta Epsilon. Although we have no special honors to report, we are proud to say that Alpha Tau Omega at Tulane still maintains the prestige it has always enjoyed and, if the future of the chapter can be judged by the past, the outlook is promising indeed.

We have the following active members: Russell Allen, Post Graduate; Charles Burthe, '98; James Butler, '98; Jules Butler, '97; Henry Chaffe, '98; James Debuys, '98; Lawrence Debuys, '99; Rathbone Debuys, '96; Walter Debuys, '99; Charles Eshleman, '99; Allen Eustis, '96; R. Finley, '98; James O. Nixon, '97.

While our chapter is not so large as it has been, we consider it strong. We are encouraged and aided, too, by a large number of Alumni; and have the best wishes of a host of young ladies who wear the Maltese Cross.

The result of our last election was: W. M., Bro. James Nixon; W. C., Bro. James Butler; W. K. A., Bro. Allen Eustis; W. K. E., Bro.

James Debuys; W. Scribe, Bro. Charles Burthe; W. N., Bro. Henry Chaffe; W. S., Joe. Elliott (alumnus).

Our chapter is in a prosperous condition financially, and an enthusiastic fraternity spirit pervades our ranks. Our meetings are interesting and well attended.

We report the following items of interest: Bro. Ira Wight and E. Kearney have recently married. Bro. Burthe has a place on the University foot ball team. Bro. Allen Eustis has been elected a member of Theta Nu Epsilon which entered Tulane last spring. Bro. James O. Nixon is on the staff of the College Spirit.

Tulane has entered upon a most prosperous year with an unusually large attendance and we predict a most profitable session for the University. Wishing success to all Alpha Taus,

Fraternally yours,

Russell Allen, Correspondent.

MASS. GAMMA BETA, TUFTS COLLEGE, MEDFORD.

Owing to some mistake on the part of our correspondent, the chapter contribution was not written for the last issue of the Palm. We all realize the importance of chapter letters, and will strive to be more punctual in the future.

The present college year opened in a most favorable manner for Gamma Beta. Eleven brothers returned to college, and within a few weeks our ranks were strengthened by the initiation of eight new members whom we wish to introduce to the fraternity at large. The new wearers of the Maltese Cross are: M. A. Plum, '97; E. B. Eastman, '97; Cushman Abbott, '98; E. M. French, '98; H. E. Bates, '98; C. E. Gough, '99; B. A. Rich, '99; O. W. Sedgwick, '99.

With nineteen brothers and commodious chapter rooms, the prospects look very bright. We are represented in almost every department of college life. Bro. Maguire is leader of the banjo club, and Bro. Plumb is a candidate for the mandolin club.

No fraternity in college is more prominent in athletics than Alpha Tau Omega. On the foot ball team, we were represented by Bro. Russell, left guard; Bro. Eddy and Bro. Crowley, ends; Bro. Sedgwick, quarter-back, and Bro. Mitchell, halfback.

Our standing in base ball is also very high. Last season we were represented by seven 'varsity men including the captain. For next season we will have the captain—Bro. Carridan, '96—and the manager—Bro. Dillon, '96. Our representation will also include Bro. Maguire, Bro. Richardson, Bro. Sedgwick, and possibly a few more.

In track athletics we have record breakers in Bro. Carridan, Sedgwick, Russell, Crowley and Richardson.

While we are unsurpassed in athletics, our work in other departments is very commendable. Although we have no prize winners, neverthe-

less all the Alpha Taus maintain a good rank in their studies. We are very fortunate in having as co-workers the members of the Boston alumni association, the latest arrival in the A. T. O. world.

In closing, we wish success to all our sister chapters.

D. F. Dillon, Correspondent.

MAINE GAMMA ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY, WATERVILLE.

Since our letter was written for the last number of the Palm, Gamma Alpha has enjoyed that time which all Alpha Tau's look forward to with pleasant expectation, the annual initiation and banquet.

Our banquet this year was held in Augusta. After a most enjoyable feast the following toasts were responded to, Bro. J. M. Pike acting as toastmaster:

"The Maltese Cross," H. S. Allen; "Our Leg Puller," I. F. Burton; "Fraternity Growth," P. F. Williams; "Absent Brothers," E. F. Nutt; "The Coo-oid," H. S. Cross; "The Charter Members," H. T. Waterhouse; "Our Alumni," L. W. Robbins; "Our New Members," A. G. Wright; "The Dawn of Day," C. I. Spear.

The occasion was made more pleasant by the presence of our Bros. L. W. Robbins '94, and Lindsay Duncan, of Beta Upsilon. We have initiated this year five men from the freshman class, of whom we are justly proud; men whom we expect to make a brilliant success in the college course. Their names are as follows: Harvey H. Bishop, George E. Conforth, Charles A. Hatfield, Charles I. Spear, Harry S. Vose. The number is smaller than last year, but the class of '99 is much smaller than that of '98, and we have fully our share of it.

We are taking our usual share of class honor. The junior and senior classes have not yet elected. In '98 Bro Allen is secretary, Bro. Hall, historian; in '99, Bro. Conforth is treasurer, Bro. Spear, historian. In athletics we have Bros. Hall and Dyer on the second eleven, with Bros. Ely and Williams as substitutes, while Bros. Hall and Clement have entered for the ten-mile run, one of the great events of the fall.

Two of our brothers will be absent this winter, engaged in teaching, leaving us with a total working force of fourteen men. With these, all true and earnest workmen, we hope to accomplish much for the advancement of Alpha Tau in Colby.

Harrison S. Allen, Correspondent.

MICH. BETA KAPPA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE, HILLSDALE.

At no period of our existence has there been so much prosperity as that which is characteristic of our chapter the present school year. To a great extent we owe our success to a chapter house. Four years is a long enough time to have demonstrated the advisability of renting or owning a chapter house.

Since the beginning of the school year we have initiated three good men: J. R. Armstrong, W. B. Owens and B. R. Alward. We now

number eighteen men, thirteen active and five pledged men.

A large share of college honors have come to our chapter. In athletics we have the captains of both the first and second foot ball teams and president of the athletic association. Bro. Whitney now holds two M. I. A. A. records. He also won the medal for the best all-round athlete at the local field day.

In the glee club we are represented by Bro. Whitney and E. W. Van Aken, a pledged man.

Bro. W. H. North is president of the Amphictyon Society and also of the Students Lecture Course.

We have three out of the five tutorships: Bro. J. M. Weaver, tutor in history; Bro. W. H. North, tutor in English literature, and Bro. O. M. Washburn, who is at the head of the Latin department during the absence of Prof. Tibbetts.

We also have the presidents of both the freshman and junior classes.

In the military departments, Bro. H. T. McDonald is cadet adjutant and Bro. C. A. Langworthy is lieutenant.

Bro. H. T. McDonald has been elected editor-in-chief of the Junior Annual.

The '95 literary prize was won by Bro. C. I. Collins.

There are five fraternities at Hillsdale. In the order of their establishment they are as follows: Delta Tau Delta, 9; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 14; Phi Delta Theta, 9; Pi Beta Phi, 12; and Alpha Tau Omega 13.

With the best wishes for all Alpha Taus,

A. L. Kitchen, Correspondent.

MICH. BETA OMICRON, ALBION COLLEGE, ALBION.

Beta Omicron commences the school year of '95-'96 weakened in numbers by the loss of twelve loved brothers last June, but strong in the spirit of fraternity. Energy is not lacking to us, as is evinced by the fact that six of the strongest men entering school this fall are pledged, and all to be initiated within the next few weeks.

"Hustle" has been the key-note and surely our efforts have been repaid in the pledging of these six noble fellows.

In athletic honors, Beta Omicron has her share: In football, Bro. Narrie captains the eleven, playing right guard, Bro. Jacobs right tackle, Bro. Hopkins full back, and Bro. Paine quarter. On last spring's base ball team, Bro. Bush, now taking P. G. course at Harvard, captained and caught; Bro. Jacobs, pitcher, Bro. Narrie, first base, and Bro. Howe, one of the fields.

In tennis, Bro's. Maywood and Paine won second honors in the Western Intercollegiate Tennis meet at Chicago, May 29, 30, and June 1st; and first medals, singles and doubles, in the Michigan Intercollegiate Tennis meet at Hillsdale, June 13th and 14th.

Bro. Paine is editor-in-chief of the Albion College weekly, the Pleiad.

Bro. Fall is president of the freshman class and Mr. Martin, a pledged man, treasurer. Mr. Arthur Duprew was initiated into Alpha Tau Omega the 1st of October and is laying for the next initiate.

Bro. Jacobs returned from a year's study abroad in the American school at Athens, Greece, is our only member in the faculty. Bro. Wilbur D. Engle, our '94-'95 "facultas," has accepted a call to the professorship of chemistry in the University of Denver. Next term we will be strengthened by the return of two of our old men, Bro's. White and Maywood, who are now exploring the wilds of Alaska.

Beta Omnicron sends heartiest greetings to the sister chapters and wishes them as signal success in the fall campaigns as she has enjoyed.

L. Henry Paine, Palm Correspondent.

NEW YORK ALPHA OMICRON, ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY, CANTON.

Alpha Omicron has been unusually successful this year in "spiking" men and it is with great pleasure that we introduce to the fraternity at large our seven new initiates: Bing S. Stevens, Canton, N. Y.; W. H. Stout, Killbuck, Ohio; W. H. and C. M. Burklew, Millersburg, Ohio; E. A. Sheldon, Chateaugay, N. Y.; A. J. Fields, Canton, N. Y.; J. W. Benton, Canton, N. Y.—all from the class of '99.

Our rushing season is practically over and the boys are well settled in their term's work. The active chapter is at present the largest that has even been, having twenty-five active members, eighteen of whom came back from last year.

Our chapter house, although recently refitted, is fast becoming too small to accommodate our increasing numbers and next year we intend to move into larger and more commodious apartments.

We are represented on the gridiron this year by Bro's. Harrigan, center; McCormick, right half; Stevenson, right end, and Conkey, left end. Bro. McCormick is considered the best half back in this section of the state. Bro. Terry was recently elected athletic manager of the class of '98. On Friday evening, Nov. 22, our boys received a few friends at the chapter house and there entertained in a manner worthy of commendation. The Taus have won the name of "entertainers" and they mean to keep it.

Bro. R. D. Ford, '85, has returned a second time to take the chair of mathematics in the University.

Henry M. Conkey, Chapter Correspondent.

N. Y. BETA THETA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA.

The question at present most important to Beta Theta is that of a new house. Our lease of the present house expires July 1st, '96, and we must do one of two things: re-lease the house now occupied for a term of years, or build. Though situated so as to command a most beautiful view, the present house is not well adapted for a fraternity home, and we deem it advisable to make an attempt for a new house.

Much enthusiasm is being displayed by the members of the chapter, and this enthusiasm has, in most cases, been backed by liberal subscriptions. An appeal is about to be made to the alumni, which we feel will meet with such hearty response that a new house for Beta Theta will soon be an assured fact.

Cornell closed her foot-ball season Thanksgiving day at Philadelphia, and, though beaten by a very large score, we were by no means conquered. In view of the superior weight of Pennsylvania's team and the wet field, nothing short of a large score could have been expected, and it is to Cornell's credit that her team, struggling against such great odds, was game till the last.

Bro. Chas. Rogers has filled the position of guard, and though weighing but 168 pounds, has given an excellent account of himself.

Underclass supremacy is determined by a series of contests consisting of the track events, a base ball game and a foot ball game. In the second, respectively, in the bicycle race. Bro. Gannon caught for '98 track events Bros. Barrett and Moyer figured for '98, winning first and in the base ball game. Each class has to its credit one contest, and the foot ball game, which was to have decided the supremacy, having resulted in neither side scoring, the supremacy is not yet determined.

Our musical clubs are preparing for their Christmas trip, and Beta Theta is represented by Bro. Clinton, leader of 1st tenor; Bro. Werner, 2d tenor; Bro. Bailey, guitar club and Bro. H. C. Truman, guitar and mandolin club.

We are sorry to lose Bro. Eckart, who re-entered the university this year for an advanced degree in engineering, but who has now left.

With kind regards to all other chapters from N. Y. Beta Theta,
F. R. Bump, Correspondent.

OHIO ALPHA PSI, WITTENBERG COLLEGE, SPRINGFIELD.

Ohio Alpha Psi began this year with five brothers, four of whom were present at the opening session. Five loyal Alpha Taus were transferred to Alpha Psi alumni list last spring.

Our chapter has every reason to be proud of our boys who went out last year for both the honors were captured, Bro. Z. B. Phillips taking first honor, Bro. Harvey Miller taking second honor, while it is known that Bro. E. J. Weaver would have taken third, had it been awarded. Although we have every reason to be proud of these brothers, yet we realized early that the chapter could not rest upon the laurels won by them. We knew that it meant work for the Maltese Cross this fall and as a result we have the pleasure of introducing to the fraternity at large the following brothers: Bro. D. Burt Smith, Mansfield, O.; Bro. Thomas Heish, Polo, Ill.; Bro. Wilbur Hammacker, Springfield, O.; Bro. Wallace House, Springfield, Ohio; Bro. Clayton Hildum, Jamestown, N. Y.; Bro. William Hagan, North Manchester, Ind.

The chapter was very careful in the selection of men and we believe

that of the men taken in by fraternities here this fall Alpha Psi gained the cream. The high standing of the chapter in the class room is being maintained with unusual ardor. The chapter was well represented upon the athletic field during the year, Bro. Black, '98, gaining for himself the reputation of being the best first baseman the college has ever had. It was conceded by all who saw him play ball that for an amateur he played a splendid game. We might well say that Bro. Black is the athlete of the college. His record this fall as full-back on the year's eleven was splendid. Bro. Baughman represented us as tackle while Bro. Miller, '95, who returned for special work represented us as tackle also. Bro. Miller in connection with his work at college is engaged in newspaper work on the "Springfield Sun."

The other fraternities here are in a seemingly flourishing condition. Phi Kappa Psi has been the first to introduce chapter house life at Wittenburg and the result is watched with not a little expectation. The strength of both Beta Theta Pi and Phi Kappa Psi lies in the senior class and practically neither chapter will have men of whom they can boast when this class goes out. Phi Gamma Delta is much stronger this year than for several years past, the result of good solid fraternity work, showing what can be done under difficulties.

There is a much better feeling among fraternity men here this year than for several years past. It is the desire of the several fraternities to recognize one another not as aliens but as Greeks and treat one another as such. The chapter was handsomely entertained by Bro. Riddler, '89, at his residence Sept. 24, at which time the boys of the active chapter learned much of the history of its early days.

Bro. Thieban, ex-'97, also entertained the chapter at his residence in handsome true Alpha Tau Omega style. At both occasions the fraternity's colors were very conspicuous in the decorations for the occasion. The brothers were all glad to meet Bro. Bass of O. Beta Mu, who recently played against our eleven. Bro's. Pense and Geiger, alumni brothers of O. Alpha Nu, spent several weeks in our midst and we were glad to welcome them at our chapter meetings. Truly the fire of fraternity life still burns brightly in the hearts of these brothers. The chapter extends a hearty welcome to all brothers passing through Springfield and bids them tarry awhile with us. With best wishes to all sister chapters,

Geo. Bohon Schmitt, Correspondent.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Albert Stough, '95, Ohio Alpha Psi, is located at Ponca, Neb., having secured the position of teller in a bank there.

Bro. A. B. Leamer, '95, Ohio Alpha Psi, is teaching at Dakota City, Neb., having been elected superintendent of the High School. He reports meeting with much success in his chosen profession.



OHIO WESLEYAN GYMNASIUM



ON THE ATHLETIC PARK, O. W. U.



CADETS DRILLING, ATHLETIC GROUNDS, O. W. U.

Bro. Rev. T. T. Eaton, D. D., of Louisville, Ky., is doing good work among the people of his charge, having gained quite a good many converts as the result of his labors since the Mills meetings in that city.

Bro. E. J. Weaver, '95, Ohio Alpha Psi, is engaged in the study of law at Dayton, Ohio.

OHIO BETA ETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE, OHIO.

Ohio Beta Eta again takes pleasure in greeting her sister chapters and our grand old fraternity at large. Since our last letter to the Palm, we have been making steady progress. Our chapter now numbers fourteen active members and nine pledged men.

Our latest victory was the initiation of Lieut. L. E. Ayer, 1st lieut. U. S. Infantry, who has charge of the military department of the Ohio Wesleyan University. He became universally popular almost immediately after his installment here this fall term, and Ohio Beta Eta is proud of her conquest. At his initiation we were favored by the presence of our ex-W. G. C., Prof. E. J. Shives.

We have received several delightful and helpful visits from Bro. Shives this term, and feel highly favored in our being able to keep in touch with such a worker in the Alpha Tau Omega vineyard. The greatest event of the term, for us, was the privilege of entertaining our honored founder, Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook, for about ten hours. In that brief time he made himself beloved, even more than ever, to all of us. He held in his hands while here the keys of our little city, and we endeavored to give him just the best time of which old Beta Eta was capable. Call again soon, Dr. Glazebrook, and remember you are always welcome! At the banquet in honor of Dr. Glazebrook, we were delighted to have with us Prof. Shives and Lieut. Ayer. Bro. Sharp delivered an eloquent address of welcome, and then the matchless Glazebrook entertained us until his train time, as only he can. We learned of the conception and birth of our grand old fraternity, and felt that the hand of Providence had indeed guided our career thus far.

We are now holding negotiations to obtain a magnificent \$10,000 residence for a chapter house and hope our efforts will be successful. With best wishes for all the chapters of our order and our grand officers, Ohio Beta Eta bids adieu for a season.

Walter B. Pearson, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA MU, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER, WOOSTER.

Beta Mu takes pleasure in presenting to Alpha Tau Omega Brothers Paul R. Tappan, of Portsmouth, O., and John G. Merrill, of Greenfield, Mo. Brother Merrill is a member of the musical faculty. We are very glad, also, to announce, as an honorary member of Alpha Tau Omega the Rev. F. M. Hickok, of Wooster, formerly Professor of Mathematics in Hastings College, Nebraska.

With the active season of rushing practically closed, we can look with pride on the record A. T. O. made in it. In one case especially we have

cause to congratulate ourselves. The hardest rush of the season resulted in the utter discomfiture of our rivals and a well-earned victory for Alpha Tau. The inter-class contests for the college championship in both football and tennis resulted in victory for the Freshman teams. Brother Abner Jones represented A. T. O. on both the victorious teams, while we were well represented on all the other teams. Beta Mu has a regular literary and musical programme for each meeting, which adds much to the enjoyment of them.

We now have 23 men in school, the largest chapter in the university. Other fraternities here are: Beta Theta Pi, 13 men; Phi Gamma Delta, 17 men; Phi Delta Theta, 16 men and Delta Tau Delta has three men in school, but as yet they have displayed no activity in adding to their number. The sororties are: Kappa Alpha Theta, 21 members, and Kappa Kappa Gamma, 21 members.

A matter Beta Mu would urge is the early publication of the national directory; it is something which we constantly need, and we hope the work will be pushed to a speedy and successful conclusion. With best wishes to the Palm and to sister chapters,

Howard Pritchard, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA RHO, MARIETTA COLLEGE, MARIETTA.

Ohio Beta Rho began the term handicapped by the absence of all of the older brothers, but the affairs are gradually pulling into shape.

Since the beginning of the term we have initiated Bro. D. J. Hughes and take great pleasure in presenting him to Alpha Taus. He has plenty of fraternity spirit and is a hearty worker for the good of his chapter and the fraternity at large. He is a promising football player, having been a substitute this year, and will probably make the team next fall.

Marietta has finished the football season. She sent into the field the strongest team that she has ever had. Among the college teams that she has played she has found no equal. She has been defeated but once and then at the hands of a team playing three professionals. Now that the football season is over the students are beginning to think of baseball. Our prospects are not very bright but we hope to put a creditable team into the field.

Bro. John W. Crooks has accepted a position on the Marietta Daily Leader and is filling it in a satisfactory manner.

Bro. John L. Lehnhard, '98, is working for the First National bank, Marietta, Ohio. He was the first man in his class and his loss is much felt by Beta Rho.

H. E. Sloan, '95, is studying medicine at Cincinnati, Ohio. We expect a visit from him during the coming holidays.

Although we are not "booming" we are steadily advancing and placing ourselves on a firmer footing. Fraternity timber was very scarce

here this fall and as we are on the lookout for quality rather than quantity, we have few members at present.

F. B. McKinney, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA OMEGA, STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS.

The close of the fall term finds Ohio Beta Omega in a prosperous condition. We have fifteen men in the collegiate department of the University, while there are several affiliates located at present in the city.

Bro. Leister, of Wooster, and Bro. Bates, of Mt. Union, are students of Starling Medical College and affiliates with Beta Omega.

Bro. Morgan Williams, ex-'96, is at present located at Aguas Calientes, Mexico, where he went this fall for his health. He writes that he likes the climate extremely well and thinks he will enjoy a speedy return to good health.

Our beloved founder, Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook, was with us on the 24th and 25th of October. He found twelve members of the fraternity awaiting him at the depot, and during the forenoon of the 24th the College buildings and grounds were visited, and in the afternoon the principal places of interest in the city were visited. The whole chapter and many of the affiliates, about twenty-six in all, met Bro. Glazebrook at the elegant home of Bro. Roy Wildermuth, on East Town street, in the evening and a most enjoyable evening was spent with our distinguished guest. The story of the beginning and struggles of our fraternity during its early days, was related in Bro. Glazebrook's inimitable manner, and received rapt attention by all those present. Bro. Glazebrook left on the 25th for Delaware where he was entertained by Beta Eta. Every member of our chapter felt himself greatly benefited and his loyalty increased after the visit of our truly great founder. May he live to pay us many more visits, expressed the unanimous wish of the whole chapter.

PA. ALPHA IOTA, MUHLENBERG, ALLENTOWN.

Alpha Iota is enjoying a goodly measure of prosperity. Although we have no more initiates to introduce, still we are able to report what perhaps is just as good, an increased interest and zeal in fraternity work. Our meetings are of a very interesting character. Together with current matters, we spend a part of each meeting in studying our secret work and constitution. Our finances are also in a good condition and all our fees to the fraternity and dues to the Palm are paid. Our chapter roll and officers are as follows: Geo. T. Spang, '96, Lebanon, Pa.; Jere J. Schindel, '96, Cor., Allentown, Pa.; Fred E. Cooper, '96, W. M., Allentown, Pa.; Marcus S. Hottenstein, '96, W. U., Allentown, Pa.; Samuel H. Henry, '96, W. K. A., Boyertown, Pa.; John F. Stine, '97, Fogelsville, Pa.; G. Fred Kuhl, '97, W. K. E., Allentown, Pa.; Paul Z. Strodach, '96, W. C., Landsford, Pa.; Geo. F. Erdman, '98, Quakertown, Pa.; Peter S. Trumbower, '99, W. S. Nazareth, Pa.; John H.

Sykes, '97, W. Sen., Allentown, Pa.; Luther H. Fritch, '99, Macungie, Pa.; F. Nathan Fritch, '99, Bethlehem, Pa.

Fraternal greeting to all Alpha Taus and all success to our Palm.
Jere J. Schindel, Correspondent.

PENNSYLVANIA TAU, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.

We regret to say that Bro. Dunbar has found it necessary to sever his connections with this University, hence with this chapter of Alpha Tau Omega. At the last regular meeting the following resolutions were adopted.

Whereas, Our Brother and Worthy Master, Adolph W. Dunbar, has found it necessary to sever his connections with this University and hence with this chapter of Alpha Tau Omega.

Be it Resolved, That in the sincere and thankful appreciation of this chapter, Bro. Dunbar has in his life as a brother, and more especially as the executive head of our branch of the order, been a distinct good to the cause of Alpha Tau Omega; and

Be it resolved, That it is realized by this chapter that Bro. Dunbar's departure is in the nature of a blow which will require more than extraordinary efforts to overcome;

Resolved, Also that Bro. Dunbar be requested to accept a copy of these resolutions as a memorial of the fraternal esteem in which he is held by his brothers in Pennsylvania Tau.

The list of officers for the current year is as follows: J. McMorris, Worthy Master; G. Thomas, Worthy Chaplain; C. C. Marshall, Worthy Keeper of the Exchequer; H. Jump, Worthy Keeper of Annals; H. S. VanKirk, Worthy Scribe.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large, Bro's. Dag-gart of Indianapolis, and Marshall of Lowell, Mass.

Bro. Blair is playing half back on the 'varsity football team. Pennsylvania Tau has now sixteen active members on her chapter roll: (1) J. M. Morris, Louisville, Ky. (2) Geo. Thomas, Philadelphia, Pa. (3) C. C. Marshall, '97 Sharon, Pa. (4) H. S. VanKirk, '98, McKeesport, Pa. (5) J. E. Blair, '96, Beatty, Pa. (6) P. F. Fulmer, Easton, Pa. (7) G. Osterhout, Scranton, Pa. (8) J. Ennis, Burkittsville, Mic'h. (9) P. Hoover, Waynesboro, Pa. (10) W. E. Ruhe, Allentown, Pa. (11) James Watt, Brooklyn, N. Y. (12) W. G. Rose, Sharon, Pa. (13) H. S. Hays, Allegheny, Pa. (14) R. Daggart, Indianapolis, Ind. (15) J. N. Marshall, Lowell, Mass., and correspondent.

Ginder Abbott, Cor.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Dunbar, Penn. Tau, is finishing his course in medicine at Bellevue Medical College, New York City.

Bro. Hollister of Penn. Tau is filling the position of physical director at Beloit, Wisconsin.

Bro. Minnig, of Penn. Tau, is studying mechanical engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

S. C. ALPHA PHI, SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE, COLUMBIA.

It is with much pleasure that S. C. Alpha Phi comes again before the Alpha Tau Omega world through this issue of the Palm.

We could, in this report, bore you exceedingly by telling of all the honors won by our men in the athletic, social and literary circles of our College last year, but at this time will not do so. Suffice it to say that Alpha Phi's desire is to push onward, always cherishing as dearest to her heart the maxims and principles taught by our glorious order. This has been a very successful year to us. So far we have initiated three men, making our number seven true, honest, earnest fellows, having at all times the welfare and glory of Alpha Tau Omega near their hearts. Our initiates are P. V. Mikell, '98; R. H. Pittman, '99, and C. E. Gregg, '99. We very much regret to say that our chapter was weakened by the loss of three of our brothers, viz: Bro. M. Clarke, who is now attending the Theological Seminary in this city; Bro. Priolean, who is in the cotton business in Charleston, S. C., and Bro. Hamer, who is in the mercantile business in Little Rock, S. C.

Hoping the greatest success to our fraternity everywhere, and with best wishes to all our brothers, we remain, fraternally,

W. Henry Allen, W. S.

P. S.—Since writing the above we note with much pleasure and pride that Bro. John Young Garlington, an alumnus of Alpha Phi chapter, has been elected president of the American Pan-Hellenic Society, which has been recently organized in Atlanta, Ga. This is a great honor to our noble order, as well as to our loyal brother, and we extend to him our most sincere congratulations.

TENN. ALPHA TAU, S. W. P. UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated into the mysteries of our noble order, Brothers James McCall Lanham, Austin, Tex.; George William Montgomery, Jr., Tallulah, La.; Eugene Lott Hill, Montgomery, Ala.; William Walton Whitehead, Greenwood, Miss.; Frank McClelland Mitchener, Sumner, Miss. Brother Caldwell is business manager of the College journal and secretary of the class of '96. Brother Searight is vice-president of the Stewart Literary Society.

We have recently added a piano to our hall. This makes our meetings very entertaining, and Brother Lanham plays the piano, Brother Caldwell, the flute and Brothers Willhoit and Deaderick, the guitar.

Fraternity rivalry has been very great this fall but always friendly. For new men there was a desperate fight, but as usual Alpha Tau Omega got her share. We now have thirteen enthusiastic members and several town brothers. This promises to be a very prosperous year for Alpha Tau chapter. With best wishes for all sister chapters and

love to every wearer of the Maltese Cross, I am, yours fraternally,
Ginder Abbott.

TENNESSEE LAMBDA, CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY, LEBANON.

We are sorry, indeed, that our letter is so late. It is owing to our former correspondent failing to understand his extended obligation. From this time on the communication from here will be prompt.

The Lambda chapter extends greetings to all and wishes to say that we are sailing under fair winds. The future is much more bright than the past. Only two of our '95 brothers returned this fall. Bro. Gilliland and Bro. Horton. While most of us are new men, yet we are beginning to understand our work better, and have several enterprises before us, one of which is to erect a building of our own. At present we are occupying a rented room. Cumberland University has near completion an \$80,000 building, which will give a new impetus to the school, and we realize that now is the time to promote the interests of our fraternity. If any of our brothers have any suggestions to offer us in regard to raising funds, building plans, etc., they will be greatly appreciated.

It is with pride that we tell you that our chapter here is composed of the braniest men in the university, and to take them as a body, we are sure that they are much above the average fraternity in morals. There are five other fraternities here, but we had six men on the foot-ball team this year and won four-fifths of games played; we are going to put some good material on for next year. We had the great pleasure some time since, of visiting the Tenn. Omega Chapter at Sewanee. It has one of the prettiest buildings of its kind in the south. At the beginning of the new year we hope to greet you all again with a bright face. In manhood's strongest bonds we wish you all well.

Sam C. Tigert, Correspondent.

TENN. BETA PI, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE.

Since the date of our last chapter letter, we have initiated into the mysteries of our brotherhood three very promising young men. They are Bro. Justin Towner, of Tenn., Bro. James Scaby, of Ky., and Bro. J. G. Harris of Tenn.

Two more of our old members have also returned. They are Bros. Howard, Jones and William Boys. Bro. Jones was a member of Beta Pi chapter from '91 to '94. Last year he attended Union college, N. Y., where he graduated in the engineering department. He is at present in business here and has enrolled his name as an affiliate member of Beta Pi chapter. He is as earnest and enthusiastic in his labors for Alpha Tau as when he was a student at the University.

Bro. Boys was with us two years ago, but since that time has been out of school. He has returned to take up his studies in the academic department. Our fraternity has not been behind in the way of college

honors this year. Bro. Jarrell, after only two weeks' membership in the Philosophic Literary Society, was elected by that society to be one of the Thanksgiving debaters. He takes the place of Bro. Greer who did not return this year. Bro. Stephens is substitute on the foot-ball team; and Bro's. Wise, Welburn, Sumpter and Towner represent us on the glee and guitar clubs.

Several of our brothers expressed a desire to have a poem at each meeting of our chapter and hence we created the office of Worthy Poet, to which office Bro. Boys was unanimously elected. They also desired to have some general superintendent of our new apartments and hence we unanimously elected Bro. Cave Worthy Keeper of the Ash pan.

Several weeks ago nearly all of our brothers had the pleasure of meeting Bishop Vincent during his visit to Nashville. It affords us the greatest pleasure to have such distinguished members of our brotherhood with us; we only regret that we cannot have them oftener.

We close with good wishes to all Alpha Taus.

W. E. Douglas, Correspondent.

TENNESSEE OMEGA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, SEWANEE.

It is with pleasure that Tennessee Omega announces to the fraternity the acquisition of three new brothers. Frank King Lord and Thompson, Buchanan, of Louisville, Ky., were initiated on September —th. A few weeks later William B. Thompson became a member of one at the largest meetings of the year. There were twenty-three present, including the candidate.

The chapter now numbers twenty-seven members, of whom twenty-two expect to return to the university next spring.

We hope, by individual contribution, to furnish our addition next spring and we will then have as handsome and cosy a chapter hall and club house as can be found in the fraternity. This fall Bro. James Craik Morris will be graduated and will take up his life work in the service of the church. He has been a member of the Tennessee Omega for ten years, and his loss will be one which will be felt by every man in the chapter. He has been one of the most loyal Alpha Taus. He has been Worthy Master of this chapter for the last three years and has occupied a high position in the university during his entire connection; while during the latter years he has been our head proctor. He has the best wishes of the whole chapter and it will be with the deepest regret that we will bid him good by this fall.

Brothers Brown, McMillan and Knight will leave us this fall; Brother Knight as a doctor, while Brother Brown will raise stock in Tennessee. Brother McMillan is uncertain as yet, but will probably pursue his studies elsewhere. Brother Kimbrough will study art in New York this winter and may not return next spring. We have been glad to have with us Brother Davidson, an alumnus of Alabama Alpha Epsilon, this fall for a month, and hope he will repeat his visit.

Tennessee Omega sends her greeting and her best wishes for a successful winter. As her vacation is during the winter her next chapter letter will be short.

Wm. Henderson, Jr., Correspondent.

TEXAS GAMMA EPSILON, AUSTIN COLLEGE, SHERMAN.

Texas Gamma Epsilon sends greetings to her sister chapters and reports increased zeal and devotion for our noble order since our last letter. At the appointment of the cadet officers of the battalion, we received our share of the honors. Bro. Vinson, Wm., was appointed Cadet Captain and Adjutant, Bro. Vinson, E., was appointed Captain of Company "A," Bro. Gates Thomas, 1st Sergeant of Company "A," and Bros. Harry Knox and Hood Boone, Cadet Corporals.

We have initiated, since our last report, the following brothers, whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large:

Bro. Harry Knox, '98, Giddings, Texas; Bro. Hood Boone, '99, Navasota, Texas; Bro. Rubie Galloway '99, Sherman, Texas. We have pledged two or three others, but owing to certain circumstances we cannot initiate them until after the Christmas holidays. The other fraternity has been doing what we consider "underhand work," but we will get every man whom we elected, with the possible exception of one, who, although quite willing himself, is prevented from joining because of parental objections. We still have a small indebtedness on our chapter house, but we have a plan on foot now by which we hope to blot it out entirely in a very short time. Bro. Bishop Holmes '95, kindly presented the chapter with elegant furniture for the hall, and as we are situated now, we consider that we have as cosy and as homelike a chapter house as you will find anywhere.

The Alpha Tau's, as usual, lead in the social sphere this year. The sisters are intensely loyal, furnishing us with nice refreshments whenever we have any work for Sir William to perform. We have elected the following officers in our chapter:

Bro. S. E. Chandler, worthy master; Bro. R. E. Vinson, chaplain; Bro. Gates Thomas, keeper of E.; Bro. C. A. Lanius, scribe; Bro. Wm. A. Vinson, keeper of A.; Bro. J. L. McCall, usher; Bro. Hood Boone, sentinel; Bro. Wm. A. Vinson, correspondent.

The work on the new addition to the college building is progressing nicely and will probably be ready for occupancy by the 1st of March. The prospects of the college for a most successful year's work were never brighter. The students, as a general thing, are studious and sober. Bros. Roy Simmons '95, and Carter Kirven, two of our charter members, paid us a very enjoyable visit in October. They expressed themselves as being highly pleased with our new home. All official communications have been promptly answered. With fraternal greetings,

William A. Vinson, Correspondent.

VERMONT BETA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON.

The anxious season is over and Beta Zeta has indeed been victorious. We have initiated six men from the incoming class and we take great pleasure in introducing them to the Alpha Tau Omega brotherhood. Our new brothers are: John A. Chase, Randolph, Vt.; Clarence E. Emery, Randolph, Vt.; Guy P. Lamson, Randolph, Vt.; Robert B. Morton, Randolph, Vt.; Harry W. Smith, Swanton, Vt.; Frank R. Jewett, Swanton, Vt.

The outlook for our future success is bright. Bro. Geo. P. Parody of '97 has left College, but we hope to welcome him back again next year. Bro's. Hanson and Hauenstein made a very pleasant visit to Alpha Omicron of Canton, N. Y., recently, it being the annual initiation banquet of our sister chapter.

Beta Zeta wishes a happy new year to all Alpha Taus wherever they may be.

N. D. Blake, Cor.

NOTES.

Bro. F. S. Wright, '94, Vt. Beta Zeta, is pursuing a post-graduate course in Latin and Greek in Yale.

Bro. R. N. Woodward, '95, Beta Zeta, goes to Malone, N. Y., soon, where he has taken a position in the gymnasium.

Bro. J. A. Grant, '91, Vt. Beta Zeta, is pursuing a post-graduate work in Columbia University.

VA. DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE.

The second month of the session of '95 and '96 finds Va. Delta continuing prosperous. The chapter is larger than for several years previous, and A. T. O.'s prospects in Virginia were never brighter. Delta chapter is not only strong in the number and character of its members, but also in the fact that they are, for the most part, men who expect to remain here for several sessions, thus paving the way for continuance of prosperity in the future. Our University is finally emerging from the gloom occasioned by the late disastrous fire, in which was consumed almost the entire library, including many things highly valued for their historical association, the loss was about \$250,000, the rotunda and annex, in which were situated nearly all of the academic lecture halls, being consumed. No time was lost, however. Lectures were resumed on the next day in rooms fitted up in the emergency. The alumni have responded nobly and if the legislature will do its part, the University will soon be restored to her former usefulness. Your correspondent desires to correct two mistakes in the last letter; one of his own, and another for which he is not responsible. They are the spelling of the names of two of the initiates Bro's. Leigh Gordon and Torney Johnson, which are printed in the last Palm, Gordon and Toney, respectively. The following is our list of officers for '95-'96.

Bro. Wm. L. Cochran, W. U.; Bro. Theodoric Williams, W. C.; Bro.

Nicholas Billarks, W. K. E.; Bro. L. B. Fitzhugh, W. Sen.; Bro. Charles M. Abbot, W. Cor.; Bro. M. P. Robinson, W. U.; Bro. R. B. Williams, W. S. With best wishes for A. T. O.,

Charles M. Abbot, Correspondent.

MAINE BETA UPSILON, MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO.

Our college opened this fall with a freshman class of about one hundred and twenty and we are pleased to present the following members of that class as worthy Alpha Taus: James A. Bird, Presque Isle; Philip C. Jack, Gardiner; Frank A. Libby, Portland; Hermon H. Oswald, Philadelphia, Pa.; Henry J. Pretto, Orono.

We were also strengthened this fall by the entrance of Bro. Albert D. Robinson, of Mass. Gamma Beta.

As usual, Beta Upsilon has her share of college honors and offices. In athletics, we have the best representation of the fraternities having chapters here. These fraternities, besides our own, are Q. T. V., Beta Theta Pi and Kappa Sigma. We consider our chapter in excellent condition and our prospects the very best. From the present outlook our college will be the first real university in Maine.

Of our last year's graduates, Bro. Robinson is an instructor in this college, Bro. Folsom, an instructor in Hampden Academy; Bro. Murphy owns and operates a manufacturing plant and Bro. Rollins is surveying for the Shore Line Railroad Company. Our best wishes are for fraternity prosperity.

Walter Louis Ellis, Correspondent.

INDIANA GAMMA GAMMA, ROSE POLY. INSTITUTE, TERRE HAUTE.

As our last letter to the Palm was somewhat brief we will this time endeavor to make a more complete report.

For this year we believe we have about completed our chapter roll; the brothers who have been introduced to our "capricornus" since last writing are: Bro. Harry C. Schwable '96, Greenville, Ohio, Oct. 13; Bro. Waldo B. Ryder, '98, Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 20; Bro. Nathaniel P. Burt, '99, Leavenworth, Kans., Oct. 23, and Bro. Walter D. Crebs, '99, Dayton, Ohio, Oct. 30.

At the present time our chief aim in life is the acquisition of a chapter house.

Last week our institution suffered a severe loss in the destruction of our chemical laboratory by fire. The building is a total wreck as well as its apparatus and a valuable library on chemistry. Plans for a new building are completed and work is to begin at once.

The trustees of Rose have lately donated a fine gymnasium which is now being erected.

We recently received a very pleasant visit from Bro. E. F. Rideout, of Columbus, Ind., an alumnus of Michigan Beta Kappa. Bro. W. O. Mundy '98, visited us several weeks ago to assist in further initiating our new brothers.

At present there are three fraternities at Ros, the Sigma Nu, the Phi Sigma Phi and our own; the respective memberships are: five, twelve and fifteen, the Phi Sigma being a local organization.

In the way of honors we may say that Bro. Troxler '95, received the Heminway gold medal for the highest standing in the entire four year's course, with Bro. Mundy a close second.

The present roll of our chapter is as follows:

N. F. Burt '99; W. D. Crebs '99; W. L. Decker '96, W. C.; C. N. Fry, Jr., '97, W. K. E.; F. G. Hunt, '96, W. U.; J. D. Engle '97, W. Sen.; H. T. Liggett '96; W. C. Mason '97; J. T. Montgomery '98, W. S.; W. B. Ryder '98; W. R. Sanborn '96, W. K. A.; H. C. Schwab'le '99, F. F. Sinks '96, F. E. Smith, Jr. '96, W. M.; G. Willius, Jr. '97, W. Cor.

Gustav Willius, Correspondent.

ALUMNI NOTES.

Bro. W. S. Speed, '95, who has been in Europe since his graduation, is now at his home in Louisville.

Bro. E. L. Shaneberger '95, has charge of the measuring crew on the re-survey of the line of L. E. & W. R. R. across northern Indiana.

Bro. W. O. Mundy '95, is superintendent of the Louisville Electric Railway shops, having been twice promoted since commencing work there in July.

BETA IOTA, SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA.

Since our last letter our number has been lessened by the withdrawal of Bros. Hunter and Jones from college, and we deeply regret the loss of these two men from our chapter roll, as both were popular in college and highly esteemed by every member of our chapter.

Bros. Chapman and Whitney will represent us on the "96" base ball team as captain and manager, respectively.

We will be represented on the team by at least two more of our men, and the team this spring promises to be one of the best that the "Tech" has ever had. We are getting up a band in our chapter and we will have some old time break downs when we go out serenading.

Looking forward with pleasure to the receipt of our next Palm,

T. Traser James, Correspondent.

CLIPPINGS.

A RISING ALPHA TAU LAWYER.

George M. Hosack (of Mich. Beta Lambda), the junior member of the law firm of Murphy & Hosack, was born at Dayton, Armstrong county, Pa., in 1867, but soon after moved to Connellsville, Fayette county. He received his early education at the Connellsville high school from which he graduated in 1886 as class orator. He entered the collegiate department of the University of Michigan in 1887 and devoted special study to history and political science. He entered the law department and graduated in 1891. Mr. Hosack read law with Hon. S. L. Mestrezat, now judge of Fayette county. He was admitted to the Fayette county bar in 1892. After practicing fifteen months at Uniontown, Mr. Hosack came to Pittsburg and formed a partnership with John A. Murphy.

Mr. Hosack was secretary of republican committee for two years and represented his party in numerous political conferences. He now lives in the Twentieth ward and is a member of the republican committee.

Mr. Hosack is a Mason, Knight Templar, Shriner and a member of the American and University clubs.

He has been engaged in a number of important cases, among which was the defending of several members of the "Cooley gang."

Mr. Hosack is married and lives on Marchand street, East End.—The Pittsburg Press, Nov. 17, 1895.

BRO. H. BRANSON RICHARDS INSTALLED.

Rev. H. Branson Richards (of Pa. Alpha Iota) was installed pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Transfiguration, Germantown Avenue and Lehigh Avenue, last evening. The attendance on the ceremony was unusually large. Rev. William Ashmead Schaeffer, superintendent of missions, presided and propounded the questions to be answered by the new pastor, and he also made the installation prayer.

The charge to the pastor was given by Rev. Dr. J. Fry, of Reading. He impressed upon the young pastor the duty of preaching the whole Gospel of Christ and that he should adhere to the forms of the church to which he belongs. A further duty was to build up the church and to inspire its members with enthusiasm for the work in which they are engaged by his own personal example.

The charge to the congregation was delivered by Rev. Dr. M. H. Richards of Allentown, father of the young pastor. He based his remarks upon the centurion's definition of his position as recorded in the Gospels. Rev. Dr. Richards dwelt with especial emphasis upon the duty of a pastor to preach the truth without regard to the opinions of

others. Their pastor came to them, backed by the authority of the ministerium, to be their leader. As soldiers they had a part to perform under him in the great work of winning the world for Christ. The motto of each should be the words of Joshua: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." If they lived up to this motto whatever their trials might be their end would be peaceful and their reward certain.—Philadelphia Sun, Nov. 17.

TRIBUTES TO BISHOPS QUINTARD AND GAILOR, OF TENN. OMEGA.

An interesting tribute to the life and character of Bishop Quintard, of Tennessee, and a story of his noble work in building the University of the South at Sewanee, was recently given in the Minneapolis Times. It is doubly interesting in this city at the present time, when it is remembered that Bishop Quintard's son married Miss May Shepherd, the eldest daughter of ex-Gov. Alex R. Shepherd. Bishop Quintard if a brother of Mr. George W. Quintard, of New York, and is himself well-known in this city. The article referred to is as follows:

In a day when motives of a merely prudential kind are those which influence such large numbers of men, high in place and great in official power, it is an inspiration to know a man who never asks what is the prudential way to do, but rather, what is the right way; what would Jesus Christ do, if he had to deal with this matter. This is Bishop Quintard's way—first, midst, last, always; hence he is loved as few men are; feared as such men as he always will be feared, and has some fierce antagonists; but, like the stars in their courses, he goes right on. Bishop Quintard was a doctor in medicine before he was a doctor in theology, and a good physician he was. When the war broke out, he went into the army; was chaplain, and did royal service; looked after men's bodies and souls at the same time. In the camp, in the hospital, he was ever ready to assist all in need. The soldiers almost idolized their friend and helper. When he became bishop, he had vexed and vexing problems before him; this no man knew better than he, and no man in America ever set a brave heart against a steep hill with more courage than he. The black man was free; the law said so; he had rights greater than those any human law could give. He was the child of the common father. A "person of color" wanted to be confirmed; the religious whites objected to the confirmation taking place in the usual way. Said they: "Let there be a separate service. We object to a negro being placed on an equal footing with us." Do not let us judge these people in a hard manner; it was the way they had been taught all their lives. They knew no better. A weak bishop would have said: "Oh, yes; certainly. You shall have your way; it does not make any difference." Bishop Quintard said nothing of the sort. He replied: "The confirmation will be at the appointed time, for black and white alike; all have the same rights in the church of Christ." What a storm arose; what fury and indignation. It was of no use. Placid, calm, strong in

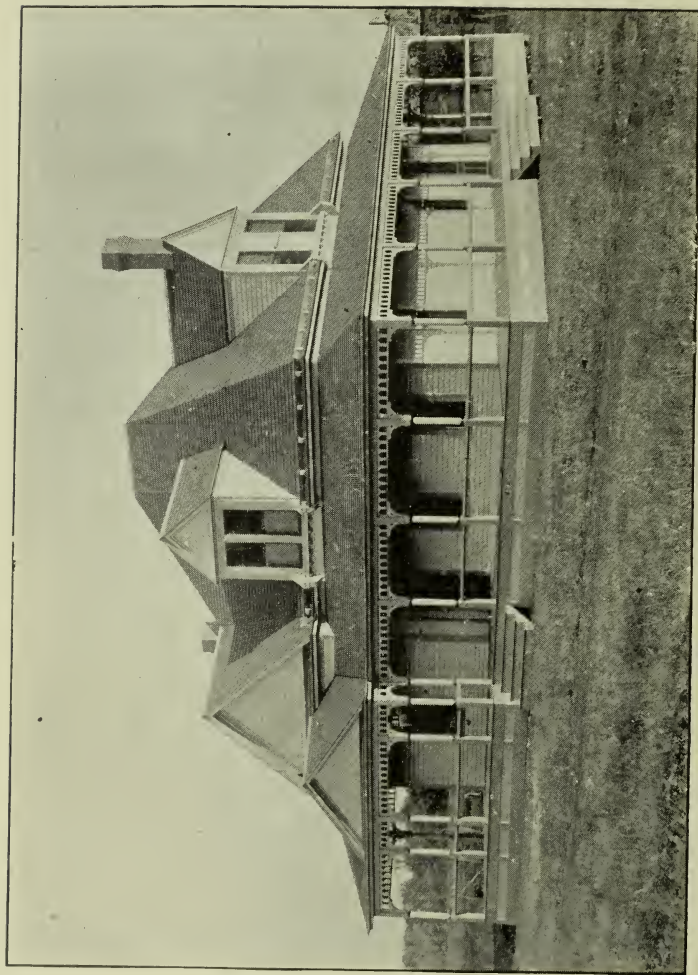
mind, brave in the fear of God, this prophet seer stood, like some majestic rock, that lifts its head above the water near the seashore; the waves dash against it, are broken into spray, and recede; the rock stands, just as Bishop Quintard stood. No color line here. Children of the father, redeemed by blood, tell it out, if this win, we will win by it; if it is defeated, we want to share that defeat. To read of such a deed, at such a time, makes one glad.

One day Bishop Quintard said: "If ever men are to be uplifted, it is by knowledge and by divine grace. I will have a university of the South." He went to Sewanee, placed there a big wooden cross, said his prayers, and said this is holy; it shall be for the university of the South; I will have here an institution of learning of which America may well be proud. Bishops, clergy, laymen, said your dream is Utopian: you cannot do what you propose; your plan will fail; you must suffer defeat. He did not cry, did not fume and worry and abuse his critics; he well knew the mighty power of God; he had eaten the bread in the wilderness and seen Elim palm trees in the desert; he trusted God and kept his powder dry. Many of his critics are dead; all in regard to the University of the South have experienced a change of heart, and now say Bishop Quintard is a wise man. The university is a noble fact, has quite a history and will do yet greater good. It seems a pity that a man like this ever can grow old, as I know him, as I heard him talk once in Washington, D. C. My heart warms to him, and if I may not do as it is reported Methodists sometimes do, shout glory, I have like feeling with them when I hear the name of this noble man of Tennessee. Time may dim the brightness of his eye, impair the firmness of his step, the splendor of his self-sacrificing life it cannot impair; it is in the chronicles of God, emblazoned with those of the immortals. What a halo surrounds this name Quintard; what a heritage it is to the church in his diocese, and what an attractive power it must have. Here in Minneapolis, has been heard with delight, the coadjutor Bishop Gailor; his words for truth have been warm and sweet and strong. Would know the secret, he is a man who learned his lesson and so far has done his life's work under Bishop Quintard, as the old lark sang, the young lark learned how to sing. May the American church never lack such songs, till she sings them new in the city of God. The history of the church of the South cannot be told with Bishop Quintard left out. The Bishop is great in the parishes, and in all the South there are multitudes who see in him a religious leader of true prophetic fire and vision. What the South is doing for the negro race is not known or acknowledged as it ought to be.—Washington Star.

"CLIPPINGS"—BRO. C. R. BRECKENRIDGE'S GOOD FORTUNE.

Mrs. Clifton R. Breckinridge enjoys the distinction of being the first wife of an American ambassador to give birth to a child in the capital of a country to which her husband is accredited and during his tenure

of office. This being the case, she has the traditional prerogative of demanding that the monarch and his consort shall act as godfather and godmother to the child. The youthful Breckinridge will, therefore, be held at the baptismal font by the czar and czarina, and may possibly receive by way of a christening gift the silver cradle which was formerly presented on occasions of this kind by the imperial or royal sponsors. The only other American lady to be thus honored by the czar is the wife of the former German ambassador at St. Petersburg, a daughter of John Jay of New York. She gave birth to several children while in Russia, and Alexander III and the now widowed empress officiated as godparents for at least one of her offspring.—Washington News.



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TEXAS GAMMA EPSILON CHAPTER.

Texas Gamma Epsilon, no longer the baby of A. T. O., proud of her achievements, has decided to have a sketch of her history accompany the cut of "Our Castle" which appears in this issue of the PALM; and upon the writer, her first initiate, has fallen the duty of tracing her progress during the past year.

It was the night of March 12, 1895, in a recitation room in the west wing of Austin College, Sherman, Texas, that Brothers M. B. Walcott, W. A. Vinson, J. L. McCall, Geo. W. Mitchell, G. C. F. Butte, T. L. Simmons, J. E. Simmons, R. E. Vinson, O. C. Kirven, Jr., S. J. McFarland and the writer assembled to be introduced to that most high and mighty inspector of anatomy, "Sir Bill Goat," and to learn the secrets and principles of our noble order.

We were not as particular about furniture in those days as we have been since occupying our "Castle." The necessary requirements were gotten up in a few hours, while by bringing our bed-quilts, with which the windows were curtained, the outside gaze was shut out, and from 7 P. M. till 3:30 A.M. Brothers Chandler and Holmes, both of Tennessee Alpha Tau, were kept busy with the initiation ceremonies, after which we retired to our rooms to enjoy a few hours rest before the class duties of the following morning.

After we had been initiated and were learning more and more of A. T. O., we began to cast around for other members, but only initiated one, Bro. C. A. Lanius, before examinations and vacation were upon us; and with feelings of regret, we bade those

of our number who were to return no more, goodby, and returned to our respective homes during vacation.

It was during vacation that Bro. Holmes undertook the task of building a home for "our boys," and after a great deal of correspondence among the alumni of the state, the contract was let for the building of a home of which Texas Gamma Epsilon is justly proud, secured mainly through the efforts of Bro. Holmes.

The opening of school found us with only five of our number returned. Our prospects were quite dismal for awhile but, in a short time, they began to brighten, and since that time we have initiated eight students who are Alpha Taus in the full sense, since they stand well in the class-room, on the campus and in the society circles of Sherman. Our future prospects are very bright indeed and in due course of time we hope to bring the Lone Star chapter up to that degree of proficiency to which our "banner" sister chapters have attained.

In conclusion it is not inappropriate to mention a few social pleasures we have enjoyed since our establishment.

The first of these was a picnic, given by our fair "sisters, April 20, 1895. The day was most enjoyably spent, and will be long remembered since it was the occasion of Texas Gamma Epsilon's *debut* in Sherman society.

Bro. R. E. L. Saner, Tenn. Beta Pi, now taking a law course at the State University, paid us a visit during the holidays. He was met at the depot and escorted to our home, where we held a feast of Alpha Tauism for several hours.

Bro. McKenzie, Tenn. Beta Pi. of Dallas, Tex., and Bro. Mangum, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, of McKinney, Tex., accompanied by Bros. Geo. C.F. Butte, Geo. W. Mitchell, T. L. Simmons, and M. B. Walcott attended our "house warming" Feb 8, '96. We initiated two "victims," and then the impromptu feast was spread, of which twenty enthusiastic Alpha Taus partook. Our members were very much elated over such a meeting and we hope it may be repeated in the near future.

GATES THOMAS, Tex. Gamma Epsilon.

BROTHER SANER ON TEXAS GAMMA EPSILON.

DEAR PALM:—You will be surprised to hear from me in Texas, but I am now at the University of Texas taking one years work in law before locating in this state.

But what I wanted to tell you about is that ‘Baby’ Chapter of ours at Austin college, Sherman, Tex.

I had the pleasure of making them a visit during the holidays and it was a perfect delight for me to listen to them speak of the noble principles of our fraternity.

They met me at the train, headed by those two loyal Alpha Taus, Bros. Chandler and Holmes, who are the founders of this chapter, and one A. T. O. never felt prouder of his cause than did I, when they crowded about to give me a hearty welcome to their city; it is perfectly surprising to know what strength this young chapter has already acquired and it is because it was started out *right* from the beginning by these two old war horses of the Maltese cross.

Texas Gamma Epsilon could teach many of our older chapters a lesson in several things; but one is particularly noticeable, and that is, the way to build chapter houses. I never saw a more complete and cozy little home than have our brothers at Austin College, and to this, more than almost any other one thing, I attribute their great loyalty and devotion to their fraternity. They can gather around their own hearthstone, worship at their own shrine and live in their own house, which I call *ideal* fraternity life. I wish that all our chapters had chapter houses. Then I firmly believe more enthusiasm and earnestness would be aroused, and that is what we want just now—more spirit, more push and more energy in fraternity work.

Brothers, north, east, south or west, if you ever come to Texas and want to meet some loyal A. T. O's, who will enthuse you with love for your fraternity, don't fail to visit Austin College at Sherman.

Yours in the bonds,

ROBERT E. L. SANER, Austin, Tex.

FRATERNITY PINS IN EUROPE.

Under the above heading, the Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* for the month of October last presents the following interesting article by Mr. Augustus N. Allen, which, obviously, presents some very cogent arguments in favor of wearing the badge of ones fraternity.

“My fraternity pin has been the means of so much pleasure during my foreign travels that I desire to show what advantages may be derived by always wearing the pin in plain sight. When only a couple of days from New York, while promenading on deck, a gentleman said to me, “I see from your fraternity pin you are a college man.” My pin thus served as an introduction to one of the most prominent men in New York, a man greatly interested in college men and noted the world over for his kindness, generosity, social position and great wealth. The pleasant acquaintance formed with him and his family was not a little strengthened when I told him that his pastor, one of the most prominent ministers in America, belongs to the same fraternity and whom I knew through fraternal relations.

“Another day as the boat was pitching, a muff rolled off the lap of one of the most fashionable society ladies of New York, and good fortune destined me to rescue it from falling overboard. After receiving a smile and some pleasant words the lady remarked about my pin and inquired what college I attended. Learning I was a Columbia man, she became interested in me and a charming acquaintance with her and her husband followed. Shall I say it was the muff or the pin which brought about this result? I attribute it to the pin. Anyone might have picked up the muff, but everyone is not a fraternity man, and the mere fact of being one is, or ought to be, no small recommendation.

“A Harvard man, also on the boat, noticing my pin spoke to me, as he said he saw I was a college fellow too. Our acquaintance became a warm friendship, as we happened to travel about the same route and saw much of each other in various cities. We also learned we had some Phi Psi friends in common.

“The next time my pin was of service was in the Pitti Palace

at Florence when I met a Phi Psi brother from Washington. Though we had never met, yet we felt we knew each other through the *Shield*.

"On Easter another triumvirate was formed in Rome, when, thanks to our pins, three Phi Psis met in St Peters. It is needless to say what happened.

"In Naples one evening a couple of fellows came up, also wearing shields and inquired if I were a Theta Delt; but I guess we had as good a time as if I had been.

"Go where you will—Paris, Switzerland, Germany, England, and Scotland—you are sure to run across some college fellows, most of them wearing fraternity pins. The old hackneyed method of introduction that Mark Twain so well tells us about, "Are'nt you an American?" disappears between college fellows, and the pin not only identifies but usually serves as a means of introduction. When you see a fellow with a pin on you immediately size him up. My experience has been they are a fine lot of fellows, and many a happy hour has been passed in their company, while a few warm friendships have been formed.

"Need I say a most delightful week passed by in Baden-Baden when I met one of the boys of my own chapter? Perhaps it is necessary to be separated from the boys of your chapter some months and several thousand miles in order to fully appreciate them. Then as you look at your pin how many pleasant associations it recalls, and you anticipate with pleasure future occasions. I for one have worn a pin eight years and I shall not want to lay it aside for several more years, as I prize it most highly."

JULY VS. DECEMBER.

(An Amendment to the Constitution.)

During the session of the last Congress of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at Washington, I proposed an amendment to the Constitution which, in effect, substituted some day in June or July for the present date in December, as the time for the meeting of Congress; that the terms of the Grand Officers at the time of the adoption of the amendment be extended from December to the adjournment of Congress in July, and that the limit of the session of Congress be extended from three to five days. This proposition or amendment was brought to the attention of the last Congress in a manner and at a time when little or no attention could be given to its proper consideration. It received a majority, but not a two-thirds affirmative vote of that body.

I again beg the indulgence of Alpha Taus, to submit a few reasons which actuate me in bringing to the attention of the members of the fraternity the subject of amendment in the manner mentioned; of stating the advantages and benefits to be derived by the change, and why I will ask its further consideration by the Congress which convenes in Cleveland, Ohio, in December of this year.

By authority of the present constitutional provision, the Congress of the fraternity meets in session for three days in the latter part of December of each alternate year. Delegates of chapters are called to assemble at a season of the year when the chances are great for inclement weather, and delegates are subjected to many dangers from the chilling winds, ice and snow, as was experienced in Washington.

The present law makes it very difficult for many chapters to be represented by active delegates, as is provided they should be, at each meeting of Congress. If active members attend, it is a sacrifice, somewhat alleviated by the instruction and pleasure received and enjoyed. They are forced to choose between the alternative of obeying the call of the fraternity, or yielding to the natural desire to be at home to participate in the holiday pleasures with those from whom they had been separated for three

months and from whom they will be separated for several months in the future. Most, if not the entire Christmastide is spent from home, from college, and among strangers. The expenses of traveling and sojourning in a city are greater in winter than in summer. December is the month for many alumni brothers to close the affairs of the old year, and to give the closest attention to their business. It is usually a crowded time with all, and in fact, a very great draw-back from the attendance of fraternity men upon the sessions of Congress.

The amendment accomplishes three material changes: It provides for the assembling of Congress in June or July; it prolongs the limit upon the session of Congress from three to five days, and it extends the terms of the Grand Officers at the time of the adoption of the amendment, to the adjournment of Congress in the summer. There are three distinct propositions for the consideration of Alpha Taus. The time of meeting of Congress, length of its session and extension of the terms of Grand Officers.

The first advantage or benefit to be derived from the amendment is, that it places the session of Congress at a better season of the year for the attendance of all delegates and of visitors. The experience of those fraternities whose conventions are held in the warmer months, demonstrates beyond question, that that time is more conducive to large attendance of delegates and other fraternity men; of instruction to active members and of deliberation upon important matters. The session of Congress is a great event, one of much concern and interest to every loyal Alpha Tau, and if Congress can be convened at a time which will be more beneficial and agreeable on account of the greater likelihood of pleasant weather, a cessation of business and general recreation, so that a larger number of persons, both delegates and fraternity men will attend and enjoy the occasion, while I do not say that it is the only reason for the change, yet I contend that it constitutes a sufficient reason for giving the amendment serious consideration.

In the summer season, not only the delegates but every active and alumni member can attend Congress. Everyone will have an opportunity of enjoying a pleasant vacation among

brethren, and of being instructed in the affairs of the fraternity; and above all, they will be impregnated with that enthusiasm and interest in the prosperity of our brotherhood, which will redound to its material growth, its internal zeal and unification. Those attending Congress in July will not be subjected to dangers from blizzards; on the contrary, they will be afforded an opportunity to recuperate health and obtain needed rest and recreation. Business men will not be closely confined to commercial and professional duties, nor will the active members be engaged in their academic, professional and athletic studies and duties. It is a season of rest and vacation. The expenses of traveling and board will be less, and the time more pleasantly spent, for, of course, a very attractive resort will be selected for each Congress.

The second benefit offered by the amendment is the prolongation of the limit of the session of Congress from three to five days, at the option of that body. The present limitation is deleterious to the efficiency of that body and disadvantageous to the deliberation of important legislative affairs brought to its attention. Only a little more than sufficient time is allowed in three days for the organization, enrollment of delegates to hear reports of High Council Grand Officers and committees, and to give the proper consideration to recommendations made by them.

Our fraternity is not the small organization of ten or fifteen years ago, it is not at a stand-still nor is it in a state of wild reform; but it is in a healthy, growing and expanding condition, in such a state of prosperity that we all should be careful to meet the requirements and demands for its continued success: The session of Congress should be marked for deliberation and due consideration prior to action upon any measure; should be systematic and orderly in the transaction of business brought before it, or recommendations suggested by resolution or otherwise. Proper attention should be given to every chapter and no section of our fraternity world given conspicuous advantage in the administration of affairs by Congress; therefore, more time should be granted for the transaction of business, and in which to adhere to the secret ceremonies, directed by our constitution which in haste are overlooked or disregarded

No matter of substance or form should be hurriedly set aside or passed over by Congress, for it is the deliberative body of our fraternity, the example for the guidance of chapters and the exhibition to the outer world of what it is composed and capable. Many matters of importance were disposed of at our last Congress by reference to the table, upon motion of some one who scarcely heard the reading, *for the want of time*. Amendments to the constitution by Brothers Rightor, Murray, Simpson, Glazebrook, Eckart, Ehle, Booth and others, were disposed of hurriedly for this reason. It actually required almost one-third of the time of the last Congress to enroll delegates, appoint committees and hear report of committee on credentials, and yet, Brothers Murray's resolution which would have obviated this loss of time in the next Congress, was tabled without much if any consideration.

When a convention is limited in its time, hurried in the dispatch of its business, confusion is the result; and in a state of confusion the affairs of the convention are controlled by a few delegates. The younger delegates feel a hesitancy in expressing opinions or offering suggestions upon matters of legislation, if in so doing they are encroaching upon the limited time of Congress, or are made aware that their suggestions will be ignored on account of the limited time. In such a condition it becomes necessary for the Grand Officers and the older delegates, long from college, to almost entirely transact the legislative affairs for the promotion and successful government of active chapters. Of course the active delegates should not be silenced by timidity or await the invitation of older brothers before making known the suggestions and recommendations of their chapters, because the main object for the assembling of Congress is the government and interest of active chapters and their representatives are better qualified to make suggestions, changes and reforms, than most of the alumni delegates; therefore, more time should be granted in which to hear from the active delegates, for their encouragement, for they achieve the victories and suffer the defeats upon the battle field of college contests, and from year to year, are made to appreciate the wisdom and to be sensitive to the

weakness of the laws enacted by Congress for their government. Our fraternity has grown to such proportion that it is practically impossible to give consideration to but few matters, with that deliberation and caution necessary. Five days for the session of Congress, at its option, is not too great a limit.

The third change recommended by the amendment is, that the terms of the Grand Officers at the time of the adoption of the amendment, be extended to the adjournment of the Congress following in July. This is a necessary result of the adoption of the first part of the amendment.

We might adopt the fourth day of July as the date for the meeting of our Congress, and thus glorify a historic day; make it one of moment for the fraternity, the greatest day for America, the greatest day for Alpha Tau Omega, the assembling of her greatest convention! Then, too, the large and increasing membership of the fraternity, many of them from a great distance, may not be housed up in hot, stuffy, suffocating rooms, nor be subjected to dangers from the snowstorm or blizzard.

Let us give to those who attend the session of our Congress to witness the majesty and power of the Alpha Tau Omega organization, an opportunity to do so at a season of the year when students are in vacation, business and professional men are desirous of recreation, and when nature adds her crowning beauty to the surroundings.

JOHN C. PUGH, Ala.. Beta Delta '85.

ELLIS FREEMAN DODGE.

Again, for the fourth time in her history, Alpha Omicron is called upon to mourn the death of a loyal member. Bro. Ellis Freeman Dodge departed this life in Ogdensburg, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1895.

Bro. Dodge, the son of Flavius O. and Alvira H. Dodge, and a grandson of the late Capt. William Dodge, was born at Canton, N. Y., Apr. 15, 1864. His preparation for college was made at the village school in Heuvelton, N. Y. and at the state normal school in Potsdam, N. Y. In September, 1888, he entered the sophomore class, of St. Lawrence University, from which institution he was graduated, taking high rank, in 1891. During the three years at St. Lawrence he was one of the most active and enthusiastic members of Alpha Omicron.

After spending a year as a student in the law office of Judge John M. Kellogg, of Ogdensburg, N. Y., he entered the New York Law School, from which he was graduated in 1893. From '93 to '94 he was a member of the law firm of Claflin & Dodge, of Norwood, N. Y. It was during this period that the dreaded disease to which he finally succumbed made its appearance. After spending some months at an Adirondack sanitarium without experiencing beneficial effects, and at a time when many would have been ready to give up in despair, Bro. Dodge went to Colorado with the hope of finding relief, and opened a law office in the city of Denver, where he remained for nearly a year. His determined efforts to overcome his disease seemed of no avail; and realizing that his time was short, he closed his business, and came home to die, making the trip only a week before his death.

The calling away from life of a young man is sad but "the going out of this life is unusually touching and pathetic." A young man of extraordinary ability, with a bright future, is taken even before the development of his powers. He was of a genial and amiable disposition, self-sacrificing, mindful always of the comforts of others, thinking of self last of all, a man of outspoken principles, strong convictions and kindness of heart. To know him was to be his friend forever.

Bro. Dodge's faith was so strong and the potentiality of his convictions so firmly imbedded in his stirring character that Bryant's *Thanatopsis* seems not only fitting, but applicable here:

"So live, that, when thy summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan, that moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not like the quarry slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him and lies down to pleasant dreams."

A delegation from the chapter attended his funeral, which was held on Jan. 1, 1896. In the little cemetery, in the village of Alexandria Bay, overlooking the Thousand Islands he loved so well, is² laid to rest all that remained of our departed brother.

J. H. DULLEA.

OHIO STATE CONCLAVE AND BANQUET.

The sixth annual Ohio State conclave of Alpha Tau Omega opened at 9 o'clock, on the morning of the 22nd of February, 1896, in the fraternity hall of the Ohio Beta Eta Chapter, Delaware, Ohio. Since 1882, when the first chapter was established in Ohio, at Mt. Union College, Alliance, five sister chapters have sprung up in the leading universities of the state.

After all had gathered in the cozy fraternity rooms, the meeting was called to order by the President, W. R. Bass, of Ohio Beta Eta. Lieutenant Ayer, of the local chapter, made a short address of welcome, to which Bro. Reed H. Game, of Ohio Beta Omega, responded.

The following reports from the various chapters were then made. Bro. J. E. Hummon, Wittenburg, reported Alpha Psi in a flourishing condition. Brother A. J. Norton, Mt. Union, reported Alpha Nu as being in an elegant chapter house. They have succeeded also in publishing during the last year a souvenir, one of which was presented to each Ohio chapter. The souvenir is a complete record of the members of the chapter from its founding, each biography being accompanied by a half-tone of the initiate. This book is really excellent and a credit to the fraternity. Brother E. E. Naylor, Delaware, reported for Beta Eta; Bro. C. R. Sloane, Marietta, for Beta Rho; and Bro. R. M. Huston, Wooster, for Beta Mu. These all stated that their chapters were socially and intellectually on the pinnacle of success. Brother Sternberger reported Beta Omega, at the Ohio State University, Columbus, as having a strong chapter. Beta Omega's boys hold nearly all the important offices in the college. Bro. E. J. Shives made quite an interesting report concerning the Ohio chapters as he found them on his last visit. He spoke in high terms of all. The reports show an active membership of over one hundred. Twenty-five have been initiated during the college year.

The state catalogue, which is being published under the direction of Bro. W. R. Bass, Delaware, was reported as being in press, with the promise of its being out in a few weeks.

Bro. Shives announced the publication of "The Alpha Tau Omega Waltzes" by Mr. William Frederick Peters, of Sandusky, Ohio. They are to be beautifully gotten up, and will appear in a few weeks.

After hearing the reports and transacting routine business, the Association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. The officers elect are as follows:

President—J. E. Hummon, Wittenberg.

Vice Pres.—D. S. Boone, Mt. Union.

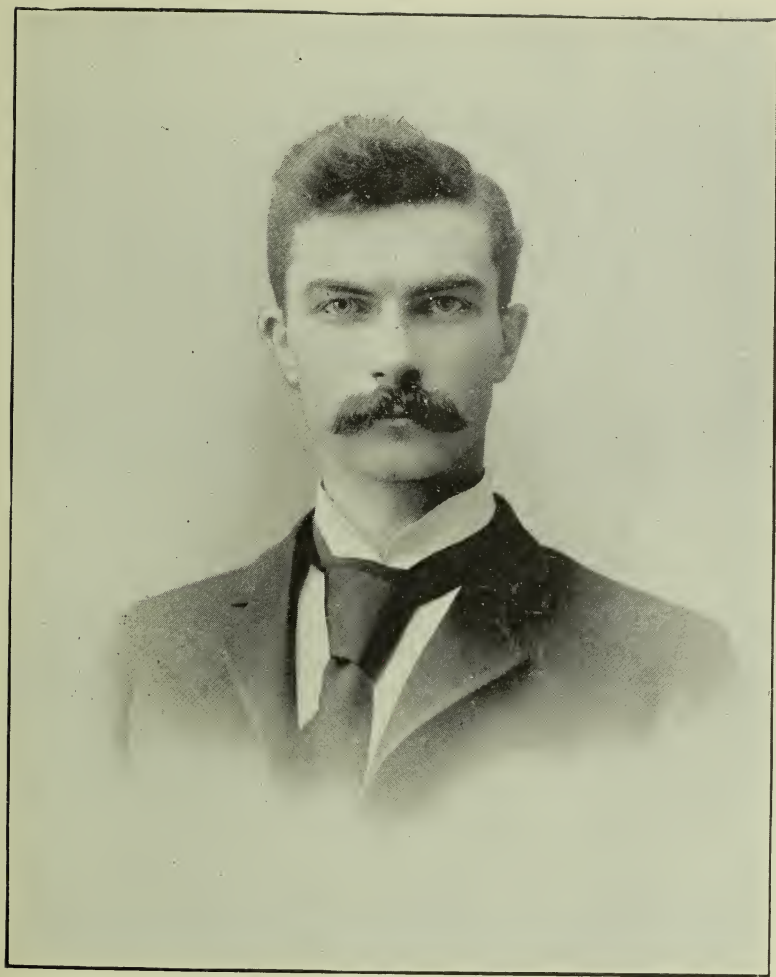
Secretary—W. B. Pearson, Delaware.

Treasurer—F. B. McKinney, Marietta.

In the afternoon, at 2:30, at Monnett Hall a reception was tendered the members of the convention by Beta Eta chapter, assisted by their young lady friends of the seminary and city. The reception was the chief social function of the year, thus far. The parlors were brilliantly lighted and decorated with smilax intertwined with old gold and white ribbons. A profusion of potted plants and palms was also used in the decorating, while in the center of the parlor was a table heaped high with a pyramid of white tea roses. Each one present wore one as a boutonniere. About forty young ladies and as many young men graced the scene. From the very beginning until the lingering farewells were said, every one had a most charming time.

At 9:30 P. M., the members reassembled at the Hotel Donavin where an elegant banquet of thirty covers was in waiting. After eight courses were served, all were ready for a feast of reason and a flow of soul.

Symposiarch.....	N. E. Ayer, Beta Eta.
The Greeks.....	J. E. Hummon, Alpha Psi.
Our Principles.....	S. C. Moore, Beta Mu.
The Fraternal Bond.....	C. N. Sharp, Beta Eta.
When Greek meets Greek.....	W. B. Kirkpatrick, B. O.
Our Badge—"In hoc signo vinces".....	R. M. Huston, B. M.
A. T. O.'s Future.....	W. B. Pearson, B. H.
Uncle Sam and John Bull.....	A. J. Norton, A. N.
Pleasures of Fraternity Life.....	O. P. Fritchle, B. O.
Why I became an Alpha Tau.....	C. R. Sloane, B. P.



ELLIS FREEMAN DODGE.

The High Council.....Prof. E. J. Shives.

The toasts were all excellent, and wit and eloquence reigned supreme until the small hours of the morning, when the boys parted, wishing for the frequent recurrence of such happy times. Toast-master Ayer declared the convention at an end and adjourned to meet at the Hotel Hollenden, Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 29th, 1896, when the state chapters will compose the reception committee for the National Biennial Congress of Alpha Tau Omega, which convenes on the day following.

The toasts of Brothers Sharp, Norton and Pearson were particularly noteworthy, and follow in full. Brother C. N. Sharp, of Ohio Beta Eta, responded to the toast "The Fraternity Bond" as follows:

*"Worthy Sympsiarch and Brothers in A. T. O.—*My theme tonight is too broad and lofty and too well understood in the mind and heart of every brother present for me to do it even meager justice in a short five minutes response. To treat the subject as it deserves, I should need the copiousness of Bacon, the oratory of Burke and a whole evening at my disposal. So I shall endeavor to present only a few thoughts which, like ripened apples hanging low on the bended bough, are easily utilized.

"To even a casual observer of human nature it must be evident that one of its chief characteristics is the law of association. Considering the world of nature about us, it were impossible to imagine other conditions. Motion always is in the direction either of the least resistance or of the greatest attraction. Plant a seed and the tree springs upward, because the force of heliotropism is greater than that of gravitation; place in contact a number of chemicals and a compound is formed, always the same under similar circumstances. The chemicals have obeyed the same law.

"And so it is with mankind. As long as individuals vary in their degrees of personality, so long will they find certain persons whose company is more agreeable to them than that of others. And it is right that it should be so. Imagine your field of acquaintance to be a perfectly level tract. As far as the eye can reach you see only the monotonous, wearisome sameness of acquaintance, acquaintance, acquaintance. How much better to look out upon a landscape varied with the sparkling stream of confidence, the green trees of friendship, the verdant hills of affection, and the adamantine mountains of love all tinted with the golden sunshine of divine approval.

“What is friendship and why is it valuable? Chapman has happily defined it as

The cement of two minds,
As of one man the soul and body is,
Of which one cannot sever but
The other suffers a needful separation.

“We can scarcely estimate the influence of friends. Some one has said ‘Show me his friends and I’ll show you the man,’ and to a startling degree this is possible, for, as a rule, friends intensify rather than modify our characteristics.

“Then how valuable are our friends in times of rejoicing or of sorrow. At such times the presence of a friend doubles our joys or divides our griefs. Friendship is also valuable because it can be purchased only with friendship. ‘The only reward of virtue is virtue. The only way to have a friend is to be one.’ Polonius well says ‘The friends thou hast and their adoption tried, grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel.’

Friendship intensified becomes love, than which there is nothing more potent. Dryden says

The power of love
In earth, and seas, and heaven above,
Rules unresisted with an awful rod,
By daily miracles declared a god.

The truth of this we may discover by simply looking about us. Every week, yes every day, we see examples of unfaltering devotion. Here a Romeo drains the fatal glass; there a Juliet plunges the fatal steel, and so weak is human nature that sometimes it seems that for every Romeo and Juliet we can also find an Antony and Cleopatra.

“But where do we find such an analogue to a David and Jonathan love? It is this love, pure, noble, as between man and man, which the fraternity emphasizes and places in tangible form; it is the pure gold, refined as by the fires of self-sacrifice and generosity. There is that in it which arouses us to strive for things divine and lifts us up to a oneness with Him in whom is found ‘Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report.’

“Then, brothers in A. T. O., let us think on these things. Let us remember that morality is the foundation of all that is permanent, without which nothing can long endure. Let us not ‘dull our palms’ with entertainment of all new hatched, unfledged comrades, but let us select conservatively and carefully those with whom we form the most sacred bonds of love. I would see the banner of Alpha Tau Omega proceed from triumph to triumph,

until from pole to pole, from the rising to the setting sun, the sacred though unknown principle embodied in those magic letters A. T. O. and yet O. T. A., shall be felt to be an irresistible power behind an unconquered, unconquerable brotherhood.

"To accomplish this we must preserve our sacred fraternity from all that is disgraceful and keep ourselves honest men, true men, manly men, men!"

Brother A. J. Norton, of Ohio Alpha Nu, made much of his subject "Uncle Sam and John Bull," keeping the close attention of his hearers with the following apt response:

"*Worthy Toast Master, Brothers in A. T. O.*—Another year has rolled its mystic treasures into a sealed eternity, another block of the long dim life-street has been passed, since last this conclave feasted at the table-round of Alpha Tau Omega, and as again 'we vex with mirth the drowsy ear of night in riot most uncouth' we linger for awhile, not to gaze with kindling memories at the shadowy forms of our past triumphs, standing on the brow of the hill, nor to flaunt the circlets won in many a joust that mark the glories of the year, but as table-knights both leal and true we gather to name the toast and drink the health of our queen and sovereign, our noble Alpha Tau.

"No white plumed Galahad or bold Sir Bedivere or any knight of Arthur's court e'er pledged in deeper draughts their vows of holy knighthood or of their leal obedience than do these knights of Malta, whose shields are blazoned with deeds of gallant chivalry, and on whose armor bright sits the emblem of their fealty, its glittering gems, out-dazzling far the wondrous hilt of Arthur's brand Excalibur.

"And tonight, as loyal sons we pay our grateful homage at the shrine of our fraternity and of our country.

"The day of universal peace has not yet dawned, and until it does, we cannot sheathe our steel, nor even let our armor rust. Come with me tonight into the play house of the nations and see the drama there of how the bold Sir Johnny Bull riding forth in his quest of plunder to seize an earldom, both weak and small, was met by the gallant Uncle Sam in his armor all arrayed, who, placing himself athwart his path, from the bugle at his side wound a blast both fierce and bold, and laying his good lance in rest, prepared to defend the weak ones claims from the grasp of the greedy robber. Then wroth was the sturdy English Earl and his charger backed for the tilt. But between these two a vision arose of Columbia, the wife of the one, the other's daughter, and of Britannia, her mother, so each withheld the war-like hand,

and gazed in speechless wonder, then returned from the open field, the one to his castle huge, the other to his palace white, to live in peace and quiet. Thus the act is finished, the play is ended, and we pronounce it all a farce, for tonight we stand on equal ground with Victoria's loyal defenders, and we join hands across the swelling main, regardless of its erstwhile roar, as each names the other's nation.

"All brothers occasionally quarrel, and Sam and John are no exception to this rule. How often in our college life have we seen brothers of our own chapters forget their petty grievances on account of fraternity. So with the two great English speaking nations of the world. They may have their disagreements and their conflicting interests, but the brotherhood of a common language and the ties of a common ancestry will forever insure the settlement of their differences without a contest of blood.

"The governments of John Bull and Uncle Sam will stand side by side cemented in ties of kinship as long as time endures. True, the millennium has not yet come either to America or to continental Europe; there have been wars and rumors of wars; nation has risen against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; empires have been torn, dismembered and obliterated; whole armies have been swept into the vortex of death; crowns tremble, thrones crumble and hearts bleed afresh with their sorrow; popes, prelates and priests, in the power of the demon of passion, have grappled the secular sword, till their hands have been stained with its crimson. Still the end is not yet: all hope is not gone, for fraternity, her garments of spotless white glistening yet with the dew of the nebulous day, her face all aglow with the hopes of glad triumph, her diadem studded with brilliants more beautiful than the burning orbs that gem the radiant brow of night, unveiling to our astonished vision the measure of human possibility, proclaims the brotherhood of man.

"Today we do honor to America's noblest hero—the warrior, the statesman, the sage—George Washington, whose achievements have made him immortal, for the country he left us first rose in the council of nations and pointing all people to justice, equality, freedom, murmured, 'I see the star, the star of brotherhood.' And the crystal streams that go singing to the sea bore on the refrain, and the mighty billows in their awful plunge thundered it on every shore, and the soft winds laden with the perfume of the skies breathed it in every land, until the nations, one by one, struck their palms around the common altar of fraternity, and as one voice burst forth their glad shout of triumph. The snow-capped mountains, flirting with the clouds that robe

their lofty peaks caught the refrain, and, tossing it upward, ever upward on through the fiery battallions that tread the celestial way, until it scales the very battlements of glory, there to find its answer where fraternity is perfect, where, for countless ages before the borders of the world stood, or the infant stars had learned to lisp their cradle song, before the heights of air were lifted up, or the measures of the firmament were named—the multitudes of angels caroled their matchless symphonies around the throne of their Most High—the Worthy Grand Master of the Universe.

“So, tonight as we pledge anew our allegiance, our hearts warming in brotherly love, may our ambition be to wave yet higher the gold and blue, and our duty to unfurl the banner of universal fraternity. Then, will we be stronger and firmer for all that is best and grandest, and then may we hope for the time when justice shall reign supreme, truth shall be our queen, and fraternity, enthroned in her cloud of rosy hues, shall fling from her golden urn the vesper dews of happiness and content, when, in a hallowed brotherhood, universal peace shall hover over all the earth, and clasping hands, all men shall move forward to the matchless strains of sweet concord.”

Bro. Walter B. Pearson, of Ohio Beta Eta, gave the following brilliant response to the sentiment “Alpha Tau Omega’s Future:”

“*Worthy Symposiarch and Brothers in A. T. O.*—When Alexander the Great was engaged in his conquest of the world, it was thought well to consult the Delphian oracle, and find out what were Alexander’s chances of success against the Persians. The oracle replied:

‘Alexander, the Persians shall surely conquer.’

“Now, if we were to consult an oracle with regard to the future of A. T. O., a similarly ambiguous response might be obtained, and rightly so, for the future of Alpha Tau Omega depends wholly on our construction of the lines of fortune.

“Tonight it is my pleasant task to try to unfold the future of our noble brotherhood. As we stand on the threshold of the future, let us glance backward for a few moments, at the past, and survey the present, for it is only by the study of the past and present that we can attempt to predict the future.

“Thirty years ago last September, Alpha Tau Omega was born into the Greek world. She came of noble parentage. From her earliest infancy she was cared for and nurtured by the kindest of fathers, our beloved Glazebrook.

“How brilliant has been her career thus far! Yet when we think that our order was founded on the everlasting principle of

friendship, how could we expect anything else but success?

"Bro. Sharp has eloquently told us what this word friendship means. We may well ponder its significance. It is the flower whose full blossom is love.

"Many of us have been so fortunate as to hear from his own lips, how Glazebrook conceived the glorious fabric which is now our fraternity. We can truly say of A. T. O.,

We know what master laid thy keel,
What workman wrought thy ribs of steel,
Who made each mast, each sail, each rope,
What anvils rang, what hammers beat,
In what a forge and what a heat
Were shaped the anchors of thy hope.

"Our policy in the past has been duly conservative, and in the main, only the best colleges have been entered. Like every young organization, we have had many obstacles to surmount, yet our gallant chiefs have ever won the day. Now

The Past and Present here unite,
Beneath Time's flowing tide,
Like footprints hidden by a brook,
But seen on either side.

"The Present is the time of our opportunity. It is now while we are in college that we have the chance to exert our moulding influence on the fraternity we love.

"As we see the other hosts of Panhellenism advancing, some with conquering tread, others with decrepit movement, we can not help being spurred on to nobler deeds for the furtherance of our beautiful principles.

"Often my mind returns to that festal scene about the banquet board at our last Congress. Never before had it been my privilege to see so many noble young men together, all cherishing the same high fraternity ideal. Then, too, our grand officers were a great inspiration to us. There sat Thomas, Green, Ehle, Tolliver, and Shives. All gave eloquent toasts. But when the matchless Glazebrook rose to speak, a thrill of joy passed over the entire company.

"His words were a flow of the genuine soul of Alpha Tau Omega. All were uplifted by the sentiments which he expressed, and determined to do their part in protecting the fair name of A. T. O.

"If the representatives at Congress can be counted as prototypes of their chapters, only eternity can measure the influence which our order will exert for the uplifting of mankind.

"Our present policy is growing a little more conservative, and this is a good sign. We may yet find many fertile fields in which

to plant our noble banner, but the stars in our field of glory now number forty-three. The number of chapters in our largest sister !fraternity, Phi Delta Theta only exceeds ours by the number of years difference in our ages. Let our growth continue solid and substantial and our future will take care of itself.

“With ten alumni associations in centers of power, we ought to be able to keep our fraternity abreast of the times. They should act as feeders to the chapters. Then too, on the development of strong alumni depends our fame as a fraternity. A fraternity is rated by its men. As our alumni increase in numbers and wealth, chapter-houses become more possible.

“Now, as the health of the body depends upon the health of each individual member, so it is with the fraternity. As ‘England expects every man to do his duty,’ so it is expected that every wearer of the Maltese cross shall do his share in placing high our royal standard.

“Let us then, Ohio chapters, lying here in this middle ground, strive to keep forever out of our ranks, all thoughts of sectionalism, and let us know in our fraternal bond, no north, no south, no east, no west!

“And then, when life’s journey is run, and the most worthy Grand Master of the universe summons us to the heavenly temple of friendship, let us all be able to gather around the great white throne, where with virtue that is celestial, truth that is radiant, and love that is God-like, we may gather to separate no more forever.”

E. E. NAYLOR and E. O. DECAMP.

OBITER DICTA.

A very conclusive proof of the high standing of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at the University of Vermont is the *Ariel*, or college annual, of the class of 1896 of that university, which has come to us through the courtesy of Bro. Chas. E. Allen, editor-in-chief. It is a very presentable volume, bound in green and gold, of something over 225 pages, and is very well illustrated and the reading matter is of a high class.

Throughout the volume there is frequent mention of honors conferred on Alpha Taus. Bro. Allen, in addition to holding the position of editor-in-chief, was historian of the junior class, and Bro. W. J. Sayward held the same position in the sophomore class and Bro. Russell M. Taft in the freshman class, historical work evidently being the specialty of Vt. Beta Zeta. Bro. C. H. Hagar is a member of the "Ninety-six" Society. Bro. R. N. Woodward was president of the U. V. M. Athletic Association and Bro. O. A. Colby was a director, Bro. A. P. Lowell was a director of the famous U. V. M. Baseball Association, as well as senior manager of the team of which Bro. R. N. Woodward was captain and 2nd. baseman, W. T. Whelan, left-fielder, and C. S. Raymond, substitute. Beta Zeta was also very well represented on the class baseball teams. Equally good was the showing of the chapter in football, Bro. Woodward being captain of this organization also, and playing half-back with Brother A. P. Lowell, while Brother O. A. Colby acted as full back and Bros. C. H. Hagar and J. J. Wilson were in the rush line. In fact the members of our Vermont chapter were in the very front in all athletic sports and organizations at their *alma mater*, and a complete list would be tiresome, for it would comprise almost everything of the kind at the university.

In more strictly collegiate and literary work the brothers were almost equally prominent. Bro. F. B. DeBerville was a prize debater, Bro. Fred S. Wright was a class day speaker, Bro. Chas. E. Allen was a prize declaimer, Bro. J. F. Pratt was vice-president of the Y. M. C. A., and many of the brothers were prominent committeemen of that organization. Bros. Hagar,

Davis, Sayward, Blake and Bryant were on the glee and banjo clubs, and so the list runs on through the book, showing "our boys" prominent in military, journalistic, social, literary, musical and artistic circles. We doubt if a better record can be shown of all-around chapter development by any other chapter of our fraternity or any chapter of any other fraternity. We trust that this splendid record may for many years be that of our chapter in the Green Mountain state.

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The following clipping from an article in the November number of the Sigma Chi *Quarterly* gives an interesting history of the origin of the White St. George's cross fraternity:

"In 1848, the Phi Delta Theta was founded at Miami University, previous to which time Alpha Delta Phi had founded a chapter in 1835, and Beta Theta Pi had been organized in 1839. The chapter of Phi Delta Theta seemed determined to enroll as its members the entire college attendance. As a natural consequence the house crumbled from its very unwieldiness; and the year 1852 saw Kappa chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon organized, as a protest against the spirit which aggrandized organization at the expense of the individual. But not yet was the key note of true fraternity struck; the Kappa chapter was not so much based on fraternalism as on ambition; its aim was not so much to foster brotherly love as it was to place its members in positions of honor in college life. The history of the attempt of one-half of Kappa chapter to throttle the other half, and to force them, against their conviction, to vote for the fraternity's candidate for a certain office, is too well known to Sigma Chis to require repetition here. It was a protest of rational, conscientious individualism against the unyielding demand of an organized caucus. We are not to be understood as characterizing Delta Kappa Epsilon—for her we have none but the most friendly sentiments, nor are we to be understood as criticising the permanent character of Kappa chapter, such was the temporary situation only. When Ben Runkle, with his five companions, renounced his allegiance to Delta Kappa Epsilon, he was influenced by well-defined motives; honest in his convictions he had the upright manliness to refuse

the attempted dictation of others; governed by the kindest regards for his Delta Kappa Epsilon brothers, he had the courage to leave them when it was attempted to force him to occupy a position which he could not conscientiously assume."

It will be seen from the above that Sigma Chi, which was at first named Sigma Phi, is an offspring of Delta Kappa Epsilon. An interesting feature of the last convention of the fraternity was the election of one of its founders as its chief executive officer, after the fraternity has been in existence over forty years.

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The chapter letter and the chapter correspondent have, from the beginning of fraternity journalism, been fruitful topics for criticism, commiseration, censure and complaint, if we may be pardoned the alliteration. Proof of this statement is not lacking in the columns of the PALM, nor in any of our exchanges. We have had our grievances, and they have occasionally been exasperating, but at the same time, our own experience in college and as an editor has led us to look at the work of these assistant editors with much consideration. Very rarely, we believe, is the office sought. Those who love to see their name in print are apt to prefer to have it appear in the body of the chapter letter, rather than at the end, for the position of correspondent imposes upon the incumbent a certain feeling of delicacy in referring to his own noteworthy achievements in college. It is usually the case of the office seeking the man, rather than the man seeking the office, and then there are many distracting circumstances which interfere with the proper performance of the work. It is the unfortunate tendency of most students to procrastinate in work of this kind, and the letter is often hurried off at the very last moment, with a special delivery stamp. "'Tis true, 'tis pity; pity 'tis, 'tis true;" but in the words of a distinguished American statesman, "It is a condition, not a theory, that confronts us." And then there is often a dearth of news, for it may be said of some of the best chapters as of the most happy nations that they are fortunate in having no "history." And again, the news instinct is rare. Altogether, therefore, the chapter correspondent seems to be a poorly rewarded and much abused personage. We certainly

cannot wholly concur in the following severe criticism of his literary productions, which is taken from a recent number of the *Alpha Phi Quarterly*:

"In looking over the various fraternity publications we take particular exception to the chapter letters. Some are nothing but idle gossip regarding social life, some are extravagant ravings over the fraternity, or chapter or initiates. some tell of athletics, and one or two published menus of banquets they have held. Of what interest is it to the fraternity at large to know whether a certain chapter held four or five dances, whether it has two or nine men on the baseball team, whether its members ate blue points or flapjacks at its last banquet? What we do want to know is whether the members are growing, whether the lower class men are falling into line and becoming thoroughly assimilated, whether the literary ambitions are aroused, whether the bond is strengthened and the chapter is loyal to its fraternity or is drifting away and forgetting the common aims and interests. Let each chapter editor discuss the subjects concerning which he would like to hear the reports of other chapters, and which he believes would stimulate and promote fraternal unity and standards."

It must be admitted that there is much truth in the above. Chapter correspondence is often frivolous and trivial and there is much room for improvement. The correspondents should be impressed with the fact that, "Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well." But, after all, the critic goes too far. Fraternities are *social* organizations, not *literary* clubs, and the fraternity magazine is a repository of the chapter records. Every organized movement of the chapter in any line is of importance to the fraternity. Even the banquet menu or dance program may be significant of the chapter's standing, and these may prove very interesting for perusal by the members of the chapter in after years. We doubt very much whether a college girl can fully appreciate the interests of the average college man. Athletic sports are not for her nor are many of the other customs of college life. She may be interested in them because some particular young man or body of young men is interested in them.

But her interest is not spontaneous and absorbing. Hers is the part of the spectator, and while sports would decline without her interest in them, we are of the opinion that she cannot appreciate their real importance to the boys.

These are some of the reasons why we do not desire the chapter letters in the PALM should be modeled after those in the *Quarterly*, nor be written entirely in accordance with the views outlined in its criticism. We want to know about all the various things in which the chapter is interested, and which go to make up the chapter life—the hops, the banquets, the athletics, the literary work, the material equipment, and the plans for the future, as well as the achievements of the past—in fact just what the members of the chapter discuss in their meetings and among themselves. That kind of letter satisfies us, and makes us feel acquainted with the brothers. We do not consider the chapter letter the proper embodiment of a dissertation or essay. We prefer to draw our own conclusion from the facts presented, in regard to progress, development and present condition of the chapter.

IN MEMORIAM.

Truly our chapter wears the badge of sorrow. Within the short period of a year we have laid to rest three honored and beloved brothers, each in the promising years of early manhood.

Ellis Freeman Dodge died in the city of Ogdensburg, N. Y., December 31, 1895, at the age of thirty-one.

Bro. Dodge graduated from St. Lawrence University in 1891 and from the New York Law School two years later. He then formed a partnership with N. M. Claffin of Norwood, with whom he practiced successfully until last winter when he was compelled to seek a milder climate and went to Colorado. But his efforts to regain his health were vain and he was returning to his home in Norfolk when he stopped in Ogdensburg for a rest. Here he grew suddenly worse and lingered but five days after his arrival.

A young man of keen intellect and sterling qualities, Bro. Dodge was fast acquiring prominence in his profession; while his spotless character and kindness of heart endeared him to all. True to the fraternity he loved, embodying in his life its noble principles, he strove to advance its cause in many ways. Alas, we shall clasp that hand no more in noble friendship! We shall no more feel the thrill of his magnetic personality nor listen to the wise counsel of his generous heart. Yet may his influence not be lost. May it shed a ray of hope and encouragement about us that shall brighten the lurid veil which God in this infinite wisdom has seen fit to let fall upon our brotherhood.

Close as were the ties which bound him to us, we recognize that there are others to whom our brother was held by still more sacred bonds. And it is the desire of our chapter to extend to the sorrowing family our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement. May they, as we, feel that it is the will of our Father who "doeth all things well."

Let notice of this be spread upon the minutes of our chapter, a copy be sent to the family of our deceased brother and a copy to the *PALM*, *Laurentian*, *Plaindealer* and *Commercial Advertiser*.

G. H. PARTRIDGE	} Com. for Alpha Omicron Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega.
A. W. FORTUNE	
M. H. STEVENSON	

EDITORIAL.

For some time past, the PALM has been appearing in a manner very unsatisfactory to the editor, and, doubtless, equally so to the subscriber. In spite of every effort, it seemed impossible to get a number out on schedule time. To be sure there was often annoying delay on the part of correspondents in forwarding copy, but this difficulty has probably been sufficiently impressed on the minds of our readers. Even after the matter was all in the hands of the printer it would become necessary to keep postponing the date of mailing. This delay was particularly noticeable in connection with the last number. It was to have appeared in December, but was not ready until the second week of January. As matters have gone steadily from bad to worse in this respect, forbearance has ceased to be a virtue. We have, therefore, made arrangements with a new printer, who has a good reputation for promptness and dispatch, and expect that hereafter the PALM will appear on the date advertised.

Matter for the next number must reach the editor not later than May 5th, preferably by April 20th, and we confidently expect that the number will be mailed May 15th. Then the next number will go to press July 5th and be mailed July 15th.

We trust that the new arrangement will work so satisfactorily that subscribers will forget the annoyance which has been caused by delays in the past.

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The press work in the last number of the PALM was far from satisfactory. On the very first page, one reads "January, 1895," and in the body of the magazine were several other unfortunate errors. Among others, the name of Bro. Erskine M. Ross was omitted from the list of founders, and Bro. Ginder Abbot, of Tenn. Alpha Tau, was named as correspondent of Pa. Tau.

There were many other equally unfortunate errors, which we very much regret.

In spite of these errors, several brothers have been kind enough to say that the last number was one of the best issued. This, we believe, was largely due to the personal items and the

illustrations, features which we desire to make even more interesting, and in regard to which we need the support of every brothers. Let us have it.

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If any one doubts the prosperity of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, or has any misgivings as to the condition of her various chapters, let him carefully examine this number of the PALM, and reassure himself. It is the best and proudest evidence that our beloved organization is alive, and all of its widely scattered branches, full of enthusiasm.

It seems as if a new life had come with the new year and with the springtime. As the sap of life rises now in the vegetable world, so has it risen to reinvigorate our beloved order. There are few branches of the parent tree that do not respond to the vigorous, enlivening current. S. C. Beta Phi, alone, has been finally cut off, and a few others are undergoing a careful scrutiny, but the grand old tree lives, and has never flourished as it does today. We do not intend that it shall be inferred from the above that there has been marked inactivity in the past, but only that the fraternity seems now in the high tide of success, which we trust may continue to be her condition for many months and years to come. And this proud achievement is due most largely to the brilliant, continuous, energetic and helpful efforts of our chief executive, well supported by the members of the High Council and steadfast and loyal brothers in every chapter. Wherever there has been a sign of weakness, he has been ready with helpful suggestions and support, and wherever there has been an opportunity to advance the interests of his fraternity, he has ever been ready to lead. Especially have his efforts been helpful to the PALM, and we cannot too strongly urge the whole body of the fraternity, the various active chapters and their officers to ably second him and support him.

To many brothers is due the proud record of this number. *Out of Forty-one chapters on our list of active chapters, Forty have sent letters to this number of the PALM.* As editor we are thankful for this splendid co-operation, and congratulate every member of the fraternity on this unsurpassed record. There is only one way

in which it can be surpassed, and that is to have a letter from every chapter in the next number. Let no one fail to do his part. It is possible that the lack of one letter this time is due to a misunderstanding, and we trust there will be no default next time.

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We are glad to note that N. Y. Beta Theta is taking up the song book matter, which was referred to her at the last Congress, and we trust she will have the hearty support of every member of the fraternity in the work. There is much opportunity for improvement on the old compilation, which, while very creditable to its editors at the time, has now become somewhat of a back number, and contains few really popular songs. Everyone knows how important a feature music is of social gatherings, and we trust that every one who has any genius in this line will immediately put himself in correspondence with this chapter. Many excellent songs have been written since the last compilation, as is evident at Congress. Some of them have appeared in the PALM, but these are very few. Let every chapter take this matter up. Good songs and music are among the most attractive features of fraternity life. Let us have more of them, and let everyone interested write N. Y. Beta Theta.

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It is by no means too early to begin to plan for the next Congress, and to discuss matters which will doubtless be discussed there. The months will pass swiftly enough, and there are only three more numbers of the PALM to be published between now and then. We are glad, therefore, to present in this number an article by an enthusiastic Alpha Tau on the question of when Congress should meet. Bro. Pugh brought the matter up at Washington, but we hardly think its importance was then realized. His arguments in favor of a meeting in July are certainly entitled to careful consideration. Personally, we believe them to be quite convincing, an opinion which is largely influenced by personal experience of the inconvenience and inclemency of the wintry weather at Nashville in 1892, and Washington in 1894. Besides, alumni, as well as active members, are always anxious to spend the Christmas holidays with their families, and,

besides, there is the item of increased expense in winter over summer. We have, usually, on these trips been obliged to pay more for fires at the hotels than for room and meals. Many fraternities now hold their conventions during the summer or in the fall, and we believe they find this arrangement very satisfactory and pleasant. We incline very much toward Brother Pugh's point of view, but would be very glad to hear from others, either pro or con, on this subject. The pages of the PALM are open for this discussion, as for the discussion of all matters pertaining to the welfare of the fraternity, which permit of public discussion.

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We are glad to be able to present in this number a cut of the new chapter house of Texas Gamma Epsilon. While we miss in it the faces of the brothers of the chapter and the signs of life, which are now visible about it, we are very glad to have before us and our readers this substantial proof of the strength of the young chapter in the Lone Star state. Bro. Bishop Holmes and his associates have taken up this matter, as well as all other interests of the fraternity, in a characteristically energetic and successful manner. Few, if any, chapters which have been in existence many years, have done as much, and this is very encouraging when considering the prospects of advancing the borders of Alpha Tau Omega toward our outpost on the Pacific coast. The chapter house in question is hardly in the same class with the magnificent purchase of Chi Psi at Cornell, but we are of the opinion that it is much better suited to fraternity purposes, and will prove more enjoyable than the latter. There is a strong conservative building movement in our fraternity, and we trust we may soon chronicle other results than this.

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It is with a sense of personal loss that we learn of the early death of Brother Dodge, of N. Y. Alpha Omicron, chronicled elsewhere in this number. We were deeply impressed with his personality and ability at an interview, when he called at the office of the PALM on his way to Colorado, and had predicted a bright career for him in the west. But, alas; Death came prematurely to stay the active hand and restless brain, and his mortal remains

now rest near his beloved home, and we can only join in the heart-felt mourning of his chapter and mates.

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Worthy Grand Chief Glazebrook has lately paid a visit to New York city and vicinity, looking up the interests of the fraternity. On his return to Washington, he paid a short visit to Pennsylvania Tau, and reports a most enjoyable visit. He assures us that the chapter is in a flourishing condition, the brothers loyal and enthusiastic, and the interests of the fraternity carefully guarded. The impressions of the chapter may be best gathered from its letter.

These visits from grand officers are always very helpful and stimulating, and Brother Glazebrook is contemplating another trip to Pennsylvania and also a visit to Virginia chapters. We trust he will not be disappointed, and are sure the chapters visited will be very appreciative on their part. The Ohio chapters were much encouraged by the recent visit of Bro. Otis A. Glazebrook, and are continuously benefited by their close relations with our active Brother Shives, of the High Council.

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That the recent conclave of the Ohio chapters was a flattering success is very evident from the account of same in this number. Everything seems to have gone off smoothly, the literary exercises were of a high class and great enthusiasm prevailed.

Brother Shives made an announcement that will prove of interest to all lovers of music, in which sphere our fraternity has not been represented very creditably heretofore, in spite of the fact that she has many accomplished musicians among her numbers. We trust the "Alpha Tau Omega Waltzes" will prove a grand success.

Another sign of the great activity among Ohio brothers will be the state catalogue, issued under the editorship of Brother W. R. Bass, of Ohio Beta Eta, which is soon to appear. Meanwhile Alpha Nu has published a souvenir giving a full history of the chapter and its individual members.

We regret that the Michigan convention occurs too late for notice in this number, and shall expect it to be chronicled in full

in the May number. It is unfortunate that more State associations cannot be formed similar to those of Ohio and Michigan, owing to geographical obstacles.

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The article in the January number on the Ohio Beta Eta Chapter seems to have met with general approval and has excited much interest, and a number of chapters have promised similar articles. We are always anxious to obtain these articles with illustrations, as they make the PALM much more attractive. Cuts of chapter groups are often made for annuals, and these can be used without expense, while colleges are always willing to loan cuts of their buildings and groups, as the advertising is beneficial. In case it is necessary to have cuts made, this can be done with very little expense to the chapter, and we invite correspondence on these matters. It is impossible to get too many interesting articles, and we shall be glad to make suggestions or give advice.

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We are glad to be able to present in this number a group of the Sterling Chapter of Ala. Beta Beta, of Southern University, Greensboro, which has always been so loyal in the performance of its duties. The photograph just above the middle is that of Prof. Peterson of the faculty, while that second from the lower left hand corner represents Bro. W. H. Moore; that second from the lower right hand corner, Rev. S. W. Chadwick, and that in the middle at the bottom of the picture, Dr. C. H. Long, all of whom are also members of the faculty, who are at the same time quite helpful to the chapter.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

Personals are always interesting. Why not send one to the PALM? There is no other way to get them. Send one about yourself, if you have no other. It may be stale to you, but will be news to others.

The high standing of Bro. Erskine M. Ross (whose name, by the way, was unfortunately omitted from the list of founders in the last PALM) is well shown by the fact that on the reported early retirement of Justice Field, of the United States supreme court, his name was the first suggested for the expected vacancy. No federal judge has a better record than Bros. Ross, and none is more worthy of this high judicial distinction. It is later reported however, that Justice Field will probably not retire, as he is desirous of surpassing the record of service of the famous Chief Justice Marshall. The decision of Bro. Ross in the Stanford litigation has recently been affirmed by the U. S. Supreme Court.

Bro. Robert E. L. Saner, of Tenn. Beta Pi, is attending the law department of the University of Texas, and is editor-in-chief of the *Texas Student*, "a weekly journal published at the University of Texas, in the interest of athletics and student life throughout the state." Bro. James F. McKenzie, also of Tenn. Beta Pi, is business manager of the journal, which is published at Austin, Texas.

Bro. S. G. Orr, '93, Ga. Alpha Zeta, is practicing law in the city of Newman, Ga.

Bro. W. L. Jones, '94 of Me. Gamma Alpha, who has been principal of the high school at South Dartmouth, Mass., has been elected principal of the Millbridge (Me.) high school.

Psi Upsilon seems to have developed a very aggressive policy lately. The publication of a magazine was noticed in the January number of the PALM, and since that date a chapter has been established at the University of Chicago. In the old days there was a chapter of this fraternity at the old University of Chicago.

Bro. E. H. Pratt, '94, of Me. Beta Upsilon, is principal of the academy and normal school at Springfield, Me.

The Cornell University *Register* for the year 1895-6 gives a total list of 1,654 students at that institution, while the whole number of teachers is 167. More than fifty per cent. (979) of the students are from New York state, and forty other states are represented by from one to 123 students, while Canada sends twenty-six, Japan, 4; Mexico, 4; Brazil, 3; England, 2; Germany, 2; Barbadoes, 1; Greece, 1; Holland, 1; Peru, 1; Porto Rico, 1; Russia, 1; Turkey, 1; and U. S. of Columbia, 1. A very large number of scholarships and fellowships is now given at Cornell, considering the age of the university. Each assembly district of New York state is entitled to one free scholarship each year, and eighteen scholarships of the annual value of \$200 each are also open to competition by members of the freshman class each year.

Bro. Clinton J. Schadt, M. D., of Pa. Alpha Iota, is surgeon on board the trans-Atlantic steamer St. Paul.

Bro. Henry C. Haden, M. D., of Penna. Tau, has entered into partnership with one of Philadelphia's most prominent eye specialists, Dr. Gould.

Bro. A. Berry, '94, of Me. Gamma Alpha, is teacher of sciences at the high school at Newburyport, Mass.

Bro. Tschudy, of Penn. Alpha Rho, recently paid a very pleasant visit to Penn. Tau chapter.

Bro. T. J. Elliott, of Mich. Alpha Mu, has a very good position with the Illinois Steel Co., whose offices are in the Rookery Bldg., Chicago.

Bro. J. Wyllis Hassler, M. D., of Pa. Alpha Iota, has been appointed Assistant Demonstrator in the Hahnemann Medical College at Philadelphia.

Miss Helen Culver, of Chicago, has lately donated \$1,000,000 to the University of Chicago, on very few conditions. John D. Rockefeller is under an agreement to duplicate this gift.

Bro. J. R. Wilson, '95, Beta Theta, is with the Guanacevi Mining Co. at Durango, Mexico. He is night foreman.

Bro. Rev. R. Morris Smith, of Pa. Alpha Iota, of Baden, Pa., has been called to become pastor of the English mission of the Lutheran church at Red Wing, Minn.

Bro. J. F. Pratt, '95, of Vt. Beta Zeta, has gone to Bay City, Mich., to accept a position with the Michigan Central as civil engineer.

Bro. H. T. Waterhouse, '95, of Me. Gamma Alpha, is studying law at Kennebunk, Me.

Bro. A. J. Yost, M. D., of Pa. Alpha Iota, Allentown, Pa., is the happy father of a baby girl.

Bro. Fred C. Kalteyer, of Penna. Tau, recently received the appointment of resident physician in the German hospital of Philadelphia.

Bro. Chas. W. Noble, of Ills. Gamma Zeta, is superintending the construction of the Weir Plow Plant at Moline, Ill.

Bro. E. S. Todd, '93, of O. Alpha Psi, who was quite ill during the holidays, has returned to his duties at Yale Divinity school.

Bro. Curtis, '96, of Me. Gamma Alpha, has left college. He is now principal of Royalton academy, Vermont. In addition to his school work, he is reading law with one of the leading lawyers of the town.

Bro. H. B. Hanson, '96, and C. A. Bates, '90, of Vermont Beta Zeta, have entered the medical department of the University of Vermont.

Bro. S. T. Himes, '92, of Alpha Psi, is now located at Osna-burg, O., and serves the Lutheran congregation of that place. Bro. Himes was married lately to one of Brookville's (Pa.) fair daughters.

Bro. E. J. Smith, '93, Ga. Alpha Zeta, is pursuing a course in theology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

Bro. Sumner, of Ill. Gamma Zeta, is studying law at Newton, Ill., with ex-congressman Fithian.

Bro. Jas. F. McKenzie, of Tenn. Beta Pi, is a practicing attorney at Dallas, Tex., with offices at 218 and 219 North Texas Bank Bldg. He is a member of the PALM Legal League, and keeps warm his well-known enthusiasm for Alpha Tau Omega.

Bro. B. F. Sheeder M. D., '90, of O. Alpha Psi, has built up for himself a lucrative practice at Salina, Mich. The papers of that place refer to him as Salina's rising physician.

Bro. P. W. Newcomer, of Ill. Gamma Zeta, is studying medicine with his father, Dr. J. W. Newcomer, of Petersburg, Ill.

Bro. A. J. Mackey, ex '94, of Vt. Beta Zeta, has returned to his studies in the medical department of the university of Vermont.

Bro. A. J. Grout, '91, of Vt. Beta Zeta is pursuing a post-graduate course at Columbia University. In the January number of the PALM this name was made to read "J. A. Grant," by a printer's error.

The University of Pennsylvania is now 156 years old and has 2,500 students. Its development has been very substantial under Provost Harrison.

Bro. Hugh D. Jamison, M. D., of Penna. Tau, is at present in New York city pursuing a special course of study on the eye.

At the recent convention of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity an application for a charter was received from a body of students at the University of Cambridge, England, which was rejected. Several American fraternities have chapters in Canada, but we believe Chi Phi is the only one which has maintained a chapter across the water, and this chapter at the University of Edinburgh, was not long-lived.

Bro. John B. McGrew, of Ohio Alpha Psi, '91, is daily winning for himself new laurels in his chosen profession of law in Springfield, O. He is a great help to the local chapter.

Preparation is being made for the revival of the Olympic games in Greece on a very large scale. Wealthy Greeks have subscribed liberally for the purpose. The sports are to occur at Easter time this year. While many of the old games will necessarily be omitted from the program, their spirit will be preserved and the different running and leaping contests will duplicate those of the famous Olympic games.

Bro. J. H. Nelson, '93, of Ga. Alpha Zeta, is teaching at Sharpsburg, Ga.

Bro. W. R. Simpson, of N. Y., Beta Theta, is in the employ of the Metropolitan Telephone and Telegraph Co., at 18 Cortlandt St., New York city.

Bro. J. N. Silva, of Penna. Tau, who has been pursuing the further study of medicine in Paris, is reported to be quite dangerously ill. All his friends join in the hope that he will speedily recover.

Hon. Joseph B. Foraker of Ohio, is the first Cornell University man to be elected to the United States Senate. Senator Foraker is a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

Bro. Clarence R. McCain, of Penna. Tau, has established a real estate office in Reading, Penna.

Bro. H. B. Woodward, of Mich. Beta Kappa, is principal of the Benzonia (Mich.) public schools.

Bro. Horace Hawkins has been connected with the Meyer Bros. Drug Co. for the last four years, and is at present traveling for the company in Missouri River territory. His headquarters are at the new Coates Hotel, Kansas City, Mo., and he desires the PALM to urge all brothers to call on him at that address whenever possible.

The election of trustees at Cornell University last June, Miss Martha Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr college for women, was elected by the alumni as one of their representatives on the board.

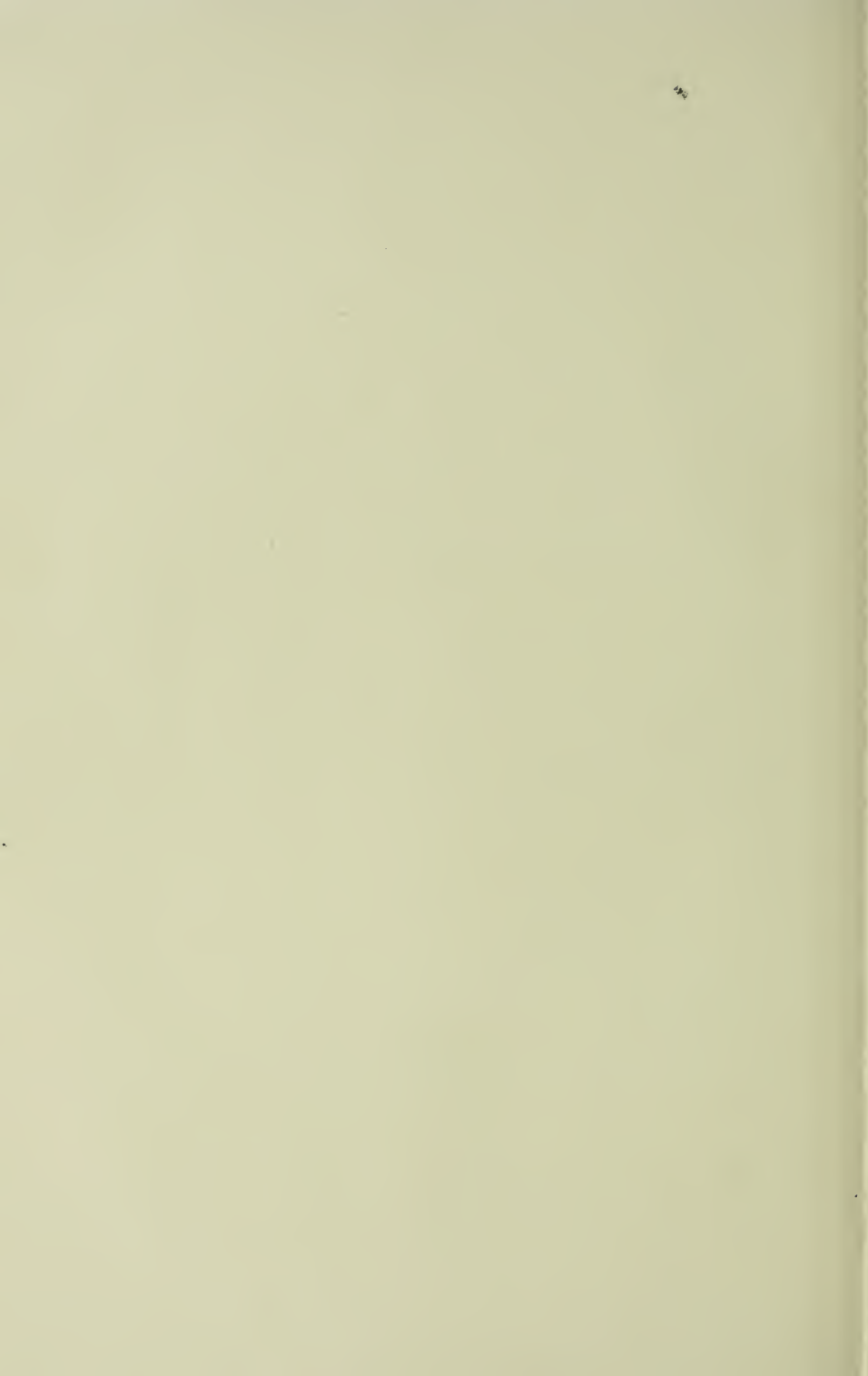
Bro. Adolphus Dunbar, M. D., of Penna. Tau, is practicing his profession in Brooklyn, N. Y. He recently paid his old chapter a visit for a few days.

Phi Beta Kappa is liberal in the granting of charters, chapters having been recently granted to Colby, Syracuse, Swarthmore, Iowa, Nebraska and Johns Hopkins. Alpha Tau Omega is not represented at any of these institutions.

The Theta Delta Chi fraternity granted a charter to petitioners from Columbian University, Washington, at its recent convention. A strong effort is being made to build up a Protestant university at the national capital, to counteract the influence of



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the great Catholic university located there. Columbian University has been in existence over seventy years. Theta Delta Chi is very conservative in the matter of extension, and now has only twenty-two charges.

Bro. A. A. Maywood, of Mich. Beta Omicron, has returned from Alaska and is in Wisconsin representing a Grand Rapids, (Mich.) firm.

Bro. E. J. Fort, C. E. '93, N. Y. Beta Theta, who was Fellow in civil engineering at Cornell University in 1894, recently received the highest standing in an examination for engineers conducted by one of the public departments of New York City.

Bro. Theodore Henckels, B. S., who was formerly instructor in modern languages at Cornell University and later at Harvard University, is now professor of modern languages at Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt.

The University of Chicago faculty has decreed that there is no room in that institution for the Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity.

Bro. Walter S. Dole, of N. Y. Beta Theta, who has been connected with the gas companies of Chicago for several years, has gone to New York city to accept a responsible position with the Metropolitan Gas company.

Bro. Arthur L. Clarke, of Ohio Alpha Psi, formerly of Chicago, is now a correspondent of the *San Francisco Chronicle*, stationed at the Washington office, his address being 1427 F. St., N. W. He has lately written to the secretary of the Chicago Alumni Association a letter full of enthusiasm for his fraternity.

Bro. W. A. Drake, of Mich. Beta Kappa, is located at 309 Home Insurance Bldg., Chicago. He is an expert in the comparison of handwriting and devotes special attention to the critical examination of alleged forgeries, disguised or simulated hand, in which he has had twenty years experience.

Bro. C. H. Brown is pastor of two churches at Coal Valley, about fifteen miles south of Rock Island, Ill. He would be pleased to form the acquaintance of any other brothers in his vicinity.

Bro. George R. Harvey, of N. Y. Beta Theta, is in Alabama.

We note in a Washington newspaper the following item; "Dr. Glazebrook, assistant to Coroner Hammett, has also been quite ill for two or three weeks as a result of blood poisoning. Dr. Glazebrook makes the official autopsies of the district, and while performing one of these became poisoned in spite of his carefulness." We are glad to be able to inform our readers that Bro. Glazebrook has fully recovered from his illness.

Bro. D. C. Wilkerson, of Mich. Beta Omicron, has entered the law office of Chas. K. Latham, Detroit, Mich.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

See that every member of your chapter subscribes for the PALM. This is a strict requirement and must be enforced.

Answer all communications from Grand Officers at once.

You must have a letter in each number of the PALM. Note the \$5.00 fine provided at Congress. It should contain all the news, but must be condensed as much as possible, on account of the large number of chapters.

It is expected that No. 3, Vol. XVI, will appear promptly May 15th. This number will go to press May 5th.

Punctuate carefully and write plainly. Be very particular about making the spelling of names legible.

Send in all the personals and clippings you can, separate from your chapter letter.

Follow the form of the heading of letters as they appear in the PALM, giving merely the name of chapter, college and town. Dates and all other superfluous matter should be omitted. An observance of this rule will save the editor much time.

Owing to the large number of chapters, chapter letters must not exceed 500 words. Bear this in mind. Never write on both sides of the sheet for publication. Such matter must be rewritten before printer will set it up.

See that your chapter's PALM dues are paid promptly in advance, for each active member. Every active member must subscribe for the PALM. This requirement must be strictly complied with. The next number will appear in the month of May, if possible, and chapter correspondents should send their letters so as to reach the editor by April 20th. at the latest. The PALM will go to press May 5th.

Be a little careful about the use of superlatives and general boastfulness. Be enthusiastic, but not bombastic. Your fraternity is the best there is, and she does not need constant strained panegyrics. The men who write them very often fail to pay subscriptions after they leave college.

Be honest; be fair; be manly—in short, be an Alpha Tau in the full sense of the noble meaning of the name.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON, ALA. POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE, AUBURN.

Christmas holidays have now passed since our last letter, and we began the new year by initiating into the mysteries of our fraternity Bro. O. H. Fant, of Anderson, S. C., who, no doubt, will prove to be an honor to the fraternity at large.

Bro. J. N. Nixon, who was with us this session, and who

held down the position of left tackle on the foot ball team, has since resigned and gone to Mobile, Ala., and recently we have been informed that he has taken unto himself a wife. Our chapter extends to him her congratulations and best wishes.

Our foot ball team came out second in the Southern Inter-collegiate Association. We were defeated by Vanderbilt on her own grounds by a score of 9 to 6,. We had a game scheduled with Sewanee, but, for some unknown cause which she failed to explain, we did not have an opportunity to meet her. We won from the University of Alabama by a score of 40 to 0. The most exciting game of all was with the University of Georgia, on Thanksgiving, at Atlanta, and was a grand victory for Auburn, by a score of 16 to 6.

Mr. Heisman, our coach for this session, will be with us again next fall, and, no doubt, will lead Auburn on to victory, as before.

We have had the painful duty of expelling from the fraternity Frank Thomas Jackson, of Ocean Springs, Miss., for conduct unbecoming an Alpha Tau.

In our last class election we received our share of the honors. Bro. Taylor has been chosen for senior class orator; Bro. Jones, captain, and Warren, manager for the junior base-ball team. For the Sophs., Bro. Stewart is sec. and treas., and Bro. Mason captain of the base-ball team.

We are represented on the Athletic Committee by Bros. Henderson and Jones, and by Bro. Warren, J. C., on the Hop Committee.

Our new gymnasium is complete, and makes quite an addition to our campus.

With best wishes for the PALM and sister chapters, we remain,
H. S. HENDERSON, Correspondent.

ALA. BETA BETA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, GREENSBORO.

Another term has opened upon us and, as usual, Beta Beta has her share of representatives on the honor roll for last term. This is one point which we have always kept over the other fraternities.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large Bros. M. C. Smith, '99, from Centre, Ala., and M. J. Williams, '98, from White Plains, Ala. Both of these brothers are worthy wearers of the Maltese Cross, and we bespeak for them great accomplishments, both in the college and fraternal world.

We lose Bro. Urquhart, who, with his colleague, won the challenge debate over the Clariosophic Society, who leaves us on account of the weakness of his eyes.

While we, as a chapter, have been winning the young ladies to adorn our banquet hall on commencement, Bro. H. H. Patton, from Birmingham, came over and took one of the fair jewels from our crown to adorn his own festive board. And, while we regret very much to lose Miss Hope Williams, we can readily turn her over to the keeping of a true and loyal brother.

With regard, now, to our own condition, we wish to say we have done well so far; and, for the future, there is not a fraternity here that has as bright a future as Beta Beta. While we may not have received as much so-called honor as some, yet we try to teach each other to be worthy of the place, whether we get it or not: and we have always made rapid strides towards the goal of our aspirations.

Bro. Henry D. McCarty, an attorney at Tuscaloosa, Ala., has been elected as orator of the Belles Letters Society anniversary, and will, no doubt, reflect honor, both on us and himself. He won the orator's medal the year he graduated.

A hearty greeting to all Alpha Taus.

I. W. HOWARD, Correspondent.

ALA. BETA DELTA, UNIV. OF ALA., TUSCALOOSA.

Beta Delta again greets her sister chapters after another prosperous term. We are now in the midst of our intermediate examinations, and for this reason our letter will have to be short.

The Sophomore orators have been appointed, and we are represented by Bros. J. M. Smith and W. T. White.

At a recent meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Bro. Godfrey was elected president of that Association for the ensuing year.

Our base-ball team is now hard at work, and it is hoped will blot out the poor record of last year's eleven.

We are sorry to have to chronicle the loss of Bro. Echals, of Gadsden, Ala., who was compelled to resign on account of his health. We trust that he will be back with us next year.

With best wishes for our sister chapters.

W.C. PICKENS, Correspondent.

CALA. BETA PSI, STANFORD UNIVERSITY, PALO ALTO.

Owing to the absence of our correspondent, our last letter was delayed until too late for publication.

The opening of the session found California Beta Psi in as good a condition as ever, although we have lost one of our most active workers, Bro. Ray. He has left college and entered into business in Galt, California.

Bros. Graham and Porter are on a visit to the South Sea Islands.

We take pleasure in introducing to the general fraternity four new initiates:

Bros. J. M. Whited, of Dunsmuir, California; D. E. Williams, of St. Helena, California; W. L. McGuire of Hanford, California, and Robert P. Cross, of Chicago, Ill.

The decision of the Stanford suit will soon be rendered, and upon it, in a large measure, will depend the future success of the University and our chapter.

With best wishes for the PALM and all chapters of A. T. O.
H. S. HICKS, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, ATHENS.

The human mind is a source of much study and gratification for itself. Perhaps the rapidity of its action is its most interesting feature. Admitting this to be a fact, you cannot be surprised when we tell you that, while for the past three months we have been almost constantly thinking of the foot-ball "brutes," within the twinkling of an eye we have banished them from our minds, and now have before us the ever-interesting sparkling "Diamond."

The base-ball season is almost upon us, and we, as a college, could ask for no brighter prospects. Our record of last year, while we did not play against the strongest teams, was free from any defeats. We have lost none of our star players of last year, and, on the other hand, have had several valuable additions which will strengthen the team very materially. Also we have our first paid trainer engaged for this season, which, of course, will be a great help towards pushing the boys on to victory. Emboldened by these bright prospects, we have challenged the leading universities of the South and are prepared to meet our fate. "We know what we are, but we know not what we may be."

I hardly think Alpha Beta will be represented on the "Varsity" team, but we will have our share of men in the class games. Several of our brothers are preparing for the tennis season, which, by the way, is becoming very popular here, and they say they will make it interesting for some of the would-be champions.

Perhaps this general college news may be out of place in a letter of this kind, but we wanted to let our sister chapters know that Ga. Alph Beta is at a university where the hard student will not have to hunt for places at which to spend his leisure hours nor the less studious ones be entirely out of a job.

We had a short visit paid us by Prof. Bryan, from Alpha Theta, and we all enjoyed having him with us very much. He made a nice talk before our chapter, which was full of thought, and gave us an idea of the eloquence with which he was filled. Bro. Bryan has received the highest honors that his college can bestow upon an orator, and we prophesy for him a bright and prosperous future.

We have taken in no new men since our last letter, and nothing of very great interest has happened since then. However, Alpha Beta, with her fourteen active members, is moving along as smoothly as could be expected; and we have no fear of not holding our own in any of the pursuits of college life.

R. E. BROWN, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA THETA, EMORY COLLEGE, OXFORD.

We extend strong greetings and strong fraternal love to our alumni and sister chapters. Once more we are glad to let our brothers know how we are progressing in fraternity matters.

In our last letter we reported hopes, but now we can report realities.

The new brothers we told you of have shown themselves of true Maltese blood, and have already done honor to the glorious cross. We are proud to say that we now have twenty-five men, who, in the class room, on the campus, in ladies' parlors or on the commencement stage continually show themselves to be accomplished gentlemen.

At the last election in the literary societies for delegates to represent them in the champion debate at commencement, Bro. Bryan led the ticket from Phi Gamma. We had no brother running at Few, or we would have had two men,—one from each society, as we usually do,—on the debate. And we also have our usual share of men on the other debates which come off during the college year.

Our new brothers taken in last fall are of the best in the several classes, and have answered every expectation.

We start to work this term with, as I have already said, twenty-five men, all ready and willing to work hard for the advancement and glory of Alpha Tau.

The following are the names of the brothers initiated since fall term opened: Bros. C. C. Gilbert, '99; C. C. Tuck, '98; — Dixon, '98; — Brand, '99; — Bardwell, '99; — Morgan, '98; — Brown, '98; C. B. Cranthen, '98.

Best wishes and a happy New Year to the PALM and to all our sister chapters.

R. F. CARY, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA ZETA, MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON.

After a very pleasant Christmas, with the exception of one brother, we returned to college to enter upon our work with renewed energy.

Our brother who failed to return is Toole, who has decided to assume the dignity of a pedagogue. Our absent brother was very popular in college, and we regret very much to lose him.

We have the pleasure of introducing to the Alpha Tau world Bros. Moore and Mansfield. They are the only lucky ones that have ridden our "Wrathy William," so far, in '96. Bro. Moore is from Culverton, Ga., and has caught, already, the spirit of a true Alpha Tau. He bids fair to take a splendid stand in his class, '99. Bro. Mansfield is a resident of Macon. He is a skillful musician, and a thoroughbred athlete. He will, no doubt, be our pitcher this season. We have two others who hope to make the team.

We have some very interesting meetings, socially and intellectually, sometimes interspersed with the sweet notes of the mandolin and guitar.

All of the boys are very enthusiastic, and especially our younger members. Everything points to a bright future for our beloved chapter. The biennial officers are as follows: H. R. Johnson, W. M.; J. H. Dodson, W. C.; W. J. Sears, W. U.; J. A. Farell, W. S.; H. E. Moore, Sent.; C. Mansfield, W. K. E., and H. E. Glass, Cor.

We are making arrangements to have our tennis courts put in playing condition. Some of our lady friends are experts in this line, and we are looking forward to a pleasant season.

We have no special honors to mention, but hope to have same speakers' places.

May there be much success to the sister chapters and PALM.
H. E. GLASS, Correspondent.

GA. BETA IOTA, SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA.

The year of 1895 has come and gone, and has left behind her the happy remembrance of another Xmas, and now the year 1896 has come into existence, with greater prospects for us than the old year '95; not only for our institution but for our noble and beloved order, "The Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity," represented at the Ga. Tech., by the Beta Iota Chapter.

On September 18, 1888, a charter was granted for the establishment of a chapter at the Ga. Tech., under name of Ga. Beta Iota. The infant chapter has struggled through all stages of life

with its ups and downs, until the year of '96 brings her into her full stage of womanhood, full grown and among the first of the noble order, with a record unblemished by a single taint.

Since our last letter to the PALM, the Beta Iota Chapter regrets more than all the loss of three noble brothers, Bros. Isaac Hopkins, Chapman and Brewster, and we regret also the loss of our President, Dr. Isaac S. Hopkins, who was called from us by the First Methodist Church, of Atlanta, as pastor. We have lost him from our Institution, but not from our hearts, for he is dear to the heart of every Alpha Tau who knows him. Beta Iota also regrets the loss of Bro. Chapman from College, but we have hopes that '96 will be a prosperous year with him in his architectural work, and that he may return by next season.

Bro. Brewster has gone to Emory College, Oxford Ga., to take up a full course in law.

The old year has gone, and the new year brings us face to face with two noble men, whom we have initiated into the mysteries of our noble order, Bros. Altur Zarra, of Cuba, and Jackson M. Harby, of Sumter, S. C., who, we know, will do honor to their fraternity,

This year we will go our full length in base ball, as we did last year in foot ball, for, as we stand now, no doubt we will get four men on the team this year.

Owing to scarcity of news, Beta Iota's February letter will have to be brief; so she closes with sincere wishes for a prosperous year to all her sister chapters.

T. TRASER JAMES, Correspondent.

ILL. GAMMA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHAMPAIGN.

Owing to absence of our correspondent last quarter we failed to get our quarterly letter to the January PALM, but since you last heard of us we have initiated the following seven men: J. H. Strawn, '98; W. J. Uppendahl, '98; George Notorman, '98; S. B. Fithian, '99; W. E. King, '97; A. H. Beasley, '97. Mr. E. C. Clacey, '99, is our only "spike."

Expecting to enter our new rooms about January first, we gave up our old ones December 20th, but, owing to delay of carpenters it will be about February 14th before we christen the new quarters, which were built according to our own plans.

A. T. O. is represented by Bro. King on the '97 *Illini* Board Editors, and Bro. Greime was elected business manager of the of '98 *Illini*, while other Gamma Zeta men will, doubtless, be honored by appointment.

Bros. Helton and Sumner, both of '98, did not return this

term, a fact which we are sorry to note, as we lose two staunch brothers by their absence.

Two Sororities, Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi, have recently been established here, and many of our most brilliant social events are due to them, our sisters.

A chapter of the mysterious Theta Nu Epsilon has recently been founded in the University; though as yet the only knowledge we have of it is the lavish use of green paint on the walks and steps, and even on the windows of the new residence now being built by President Draper.

We are sorry to announce that Bro. Mark Hay has been expelled for conduct unbecoming an A. T. O.

With best wishes for the PALM and all sister chapters,
J. C. BEEKMAN, Correspondent.

IND. GAMMA GAMMA, ROSE POLYTECHNIC INST., TERRE HAUTE.

We had our regular semi-annual election of officers at our last regular meeting in January, and, at the suggestion of the seniors, the offices were filled from the under-class men, in order that those upon whom the total management of the chapter is soon to fall might become better acquainted with ceremonies, while the old men were present to assist them.

We take pleasure in introducing our new officers, for they are, without exception, men who have the good of the chapter and fraternity at heart and will be active in its work. They are: Bros. J. D. Ingle, '97, W. M.; Walter Crebs, '99, W. K. E.; W. C. Mason, '97, W. K. A.; Waldo B. Ryder, '98, W. S.; Gustav Willius, '97, W. U.; and Harry Schwable, '99, W. Sentinel.

At the suggestion of the chapter, Bro. Smith spent Feb. 1 in La Fayette, Ind., investigating the advisability of chartering chapter at Purdue University.

We have had considerable improvement made in our chapter hall, which renders it very attractive and pleasant, and the brothers take such an interest in it that they lose no opportunity to add to it by presenting it with numerous things that they think it needs and, in this way, they show a most healthy interest.

J. T. MONTGOMERY, Correspondent.

LA. BETA EPSILON, TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS.

In the history of fraternities at Tulane, Alpha Tau Omega is unrivalled. Indeed progress and harmony have ever been characteristic of the members of Beta Epsilon from her incipency, and their loyalty, devotion and energy have gained for Alpha Tau Omega in New Orleans a social influence and a respect of which the fraternity at large should be proud. The success we

have attained is the effect of a policy the purpose of which has been not to rival the chapters of other fraternities or to pluck from them their laurels. But it has been our highest aspiration, by constant adherence to the teachings of the fraternity, by a careful discharge of duty and by a sure and steady growth, to build up a chapter which would be an honor to the fraternity.

And, in this, our second contribution to the PALM, we are pleased to report that we still maintain our former activity. That this is true has recently been shown by our members in obtaining and furnishing handsome apartments. For in both subscriptions and in donations we met with a hearty response; and that we have been successful was clearly evinced on Wednesday evening, Feb. 12, when the doors of our new home were opened for the first time in welcome to all Alpha Taus in the city. The occasion was entertaining and enthusiastic, and all the members present expressed entire satisfaction with the committee's work. In this attempt to furnish chapter rooms, while all our members have lent a hand, we wish to make special mention of Bros. Joe. Elliott, Allan Eustis and Rathbone Debuys. These brothers have rendered us valuable service, and it is doubtless due to their untiring efforts that we have secured our present commodious quarters. However, for the past few years, we have been particularly fortunate in regard to chapter rooms, for, through the kindness of Bro. Allan Eustis, we have occupied rooms furnished gratis and which, in every respect were desirable. During this time, we have been husbanding our revenues and on the constant lookout for a chapter-house well adapted for a fraternity home and conveniently situated for all our members. In addition to our elegantly furnished chapter rooms, we have a spacious parlor open at all times to members, and to which we cordially invite all visiting Alpha Taus.

At present Beta Epsilon numbers twenty-three active members. The chapter is particularly strong and large, if we take into consideration the care and deliberation we use in the selection of members. Doubtless, too, we have never been in the midst of a more prosperous period. For this, special thanks are due some of our alumni. Since the beginning of the collegiate year our ranks have been increased. Bro. Jno. Minor, who was forced to leave the University because of ill-health is again with us and we welcome his return with pleasure. Bros. Joe. Elliott and Ned Rightor have entered Tulane Law School. We also welcome to our ranks Bros. B. H. Kittrell of Alabama, now in the Medical department of Tulane and Willie Henderson, Jr., of

Tennessee Omega. Bro. Henderson is spending his vacation in the city.

Perhaps in no period of its history has Tulane reflected such outward signs of prosperity. The number of students is larger than ever before and more satisfactory work is done. The football team has won greater success than was anticipated. The game this evening with the Southern Athletic Club will close the season. In all the affairs of the University, Alpha Taus figure prominently and secure their quota of honors. On the College Annual we are represented by Bros. Rightor and Burthe. At the recent reception of the Post-Graduate Club, Bro. Allen was on the reception committee. At present there are chapters of ten fraternities at Tulane.

Some of our active Alumni are making an effort to form an association in the city. As there are about sixty Alpha Taus in the city, we predict success. Prominent among them are: Bro. W. T. Maginnis, cotton manufacturer; Bro. Mehle, insurance agent; Bros. H. J. Dupré and F. N. Butler, lawyers; Bros. J. B. Elliott, F. Chalaron and J. Lovell, doctors; Bro. Jno. Lombard is a professor; Bro. Henry Rightor is a journalist.

At our last election the following was the result: W. M., Bro. Nixon; W. C., Bro. Jas. Butler; W. K. A., Bro. Jules Butler; W. K. E., Bro. Chaffee; W. Scribe, W. Debuys; W. U., Bro. Eshleman; W. S., Bro. Finley.

Cordially inviting to our rooms all Alpha Taus who visit the city and extending greetings to Alpha Taus everywhere,

RUSSELL ALLEN, Correspondent.

MASS. GAMMA BETA, TUFTS COLLEGE, MEDFORD.

Owing to election of officers and other necessary delays, our chapter letter has been put off rather later than it should have been, but we trust to be more punctual in the future. Since our last letter we have lost three brothers, they being obliged to leave college, but we have made up this deficiency by initiating three new men. The brothers who have left are A. W. Sedgewick, '99; Cushman Abbott, '98; and E. B. Eastman, '97. The new men are Albert L. Claff, '99; Edgar K. Meader, '99, and Robert H. Parke (Special). The chapter at present numbers eighteen active members, and, as we lose only three brothers this year, our prospects are very promising. There is a plan on foot now for the purchasing of a large chapter house near the college grounds to replace the present hall occupied in Medford.

Several of our members have obtained the highest rank in deportment and scholarship and the new men are all first-class men in these respects.

In regard to athletics, we may safely say that A. T. O. leads in this respect, the base ball team being made up almost entirely of our men.

At the first banquet of the new Boston Alumni Association, Gamma Beta chapter will attend in a body. We expect soon to be on a firm and square basis with the Worthy High Council, and, in closing, wish success to all sister chapters, especially the new ones.

S. C. MITCHELL, Correspondent.

ME. BETA UPSILON, MAINE STATE COLLEGE, ORONO.

Since our last communication, we have initiated two members and are pleased to introduce to the fraternity Bro. G. W. Hersey, of Portland and Bro. A. J. Nute, of Boston.

We now have the President, Vice-President and Secretary of the Freshman class.

The coming commencement we will have on the stage Bros. Hobbs and Weymouth, of the Senior class, and Bros. Leavette and Holyoke, of the Junior class,

At the beginning of the term we had with us for a few days Bros. Bowler, '94; Folsom, '95; Murphy, '95; Rollins, '95; and Zee, ex-'96. They are all loyal Alpha Taus, and their advice and encouragement helped us very much.

Our out-look for a good representation on the base ball and athletic teams is very good.

Our officers at present are: H. C. Farrell, '96, W. M.; Duncan, W. C.; Kidder, W. K. E.; Higgins, W. K. A.; Jack, W. S.; Sturgis, W. U.; and Crowell, W. S.

Bros. Folsom, Farnham and Hobbs will represent Beta Upsilon at the convention of the New England chapters.

We are in a most prosperous condition, and are always striving for a still higher position. Our best wishes are for the good of the fraternity.

WALTER LEWIS ELLIS, Correspondent.

MAINE GAMMA ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY, WATERVILLE.

With pleasure we take up the January number of the PALM and read that No. II may be expected in February, even though it brings the necessity of sending another letter so close upon the heels of the last. However, we'll not begrudge a little additional work, if in this way we may hasten the arrival of that ever-welcome guest. By the way, considering the talent, education, and ability of the many friends and subscribers of the PALM, it seems rather too bad that the editor should be obliged to complain of lack of suitable material for making up the magazine. In our great body of alumni and undergraduates there are doubtless many who have the ability and to whom it should be a pleasure to

provide good readable articles for the PALM. Why not let us know what you are in need of Bro. Ehle, and see how well we would respond to your call?

We of Colby began the year with a new president, Dr. Nathaniel Butler, formerly the director of the University Extension movement in the University of Chicago. We are getting well settled to work again and feel confident that we are under the direction of a man who is eminently fitted for his position, and whose presence among us is a constant inspiration to better and more manly living.

Chapter life moves on with its usual serenity. Our Bro. Hall has achieved distinction for himself and us by being the first winner of the faculty cup, offered for the long distance run. Bro. Hall won in a closely contested race of eleven miles, over muddy roads, in one hour and ten minutes. By the advice of our Bro. Pike, of '96, we have decided to elect an orator for our annual reunion, which takes place at commencement. The appointment for this year has fallen to the lot of Bro. Allen, of '98. At the recent election in the Senior class, Bro. Pike was chosen to deliver the address to undergraduates; in the Junior class, Bro. Cross was elected orator; Bro. Wright, secretary; Bro. Williams, member of the executive committee; Bro. Clement, member of the committee on order.

Bro. Stewart, of '98, who left us last winter has returned and joined the class of '99.

We feel that we are in condition to do the best of work and are looking forward to the convention of New England chapters as a new source of helpfulness and a strengthening influence toward the up-building of the true Alpha Tau spirit in us all.

HARRISON S. ALLEN, Correspondent.

MICH. ALPHA MU, ADRIAN COLLEGE, ADRIAN.

Mich. Alpha Mu is in the midst of a prosperous year. Beginning in the fall, under favorable circumstances, her success has been uninterrupted.

There are but two fraternities at Adrian: Alpha Tau Omega entered the institution in 1881 and was followed by Sigma Alpha Epsilon four years later. They now have fourteen and twelve members respectively. There are also two sororities: Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Delta Delta, the former with sixteen and the latter, fifteen members. Between the four there is the most friendly feeling and especially is this true in regard to some of the individual members of the frats and sororities.

As far as college honors are concerned, Alpha Tau takes the lead and at present holds the following important offices: Pres.

of Star Literary Society, Senior and Junior classes and Athletic Association; two of the three members of the Board of Managers of *The College World*, which is the college publication; two of the five members of the Board of Managers of the Athletic Association; manager of base ball team and captain of athletic team.

In the social realm our boys are always at home. The most enjoyable of recent events was a surprise, which Bro. Guy Clafin's mother planned for him. Bro. Clafin lives ten miles from Adrian, and through the intercessions of his mother, the faculty granted the fraternity permission to comply with her request and with their sorority friends, spend an evening at that hospitable country home. We went. It was an ideal night—cool and moonlight, and as we drove along, singing fraternity songs, in which the inspiring voices of the girls were heard above all, we realized more than ever before the charms possessed by the girls who wear the Maltese Cross. After dinner and a pleasant evening, we renewed the delightful drive and brought to a close an event which every local Alpha will recall when, upon moonlight nights, he sings fraternity songs and longs for a soprano accompaniment.

Our fraternity meetings are held on Saturday night and a deep interest is always manifest. Occasionally, we have a "spread" after the meeting. This the brothers prepare themselves. Bro. Hanford has supplied the necessary cooking utensils and, in addition, does the serving.

Of last year's members who did not return, Bro. Kingsley is continuing his studies at Columbus, Ohio; Bro. Rice is city editor of the *Adrian Evening Telegram* and Bro. Will Hamilton is speculating in Kansas corn. During the holidays we received short visits from Bros. Williams and Vodrey, of Ann Arbor, Bro. Armstrong, of Beta Kappa, and Bro. Candlish, who is a rising young attorney of Chicago.

Since our last letter, Mich. Alpha Mu has initiated Bros. John Dimit, '98, of Eldersville, Pa., and Fred Johnson, '99, of Adrian, Mich. They have caught the proper spirit, and are sure to prove worthy wearers of the blue and gold.

With best wishes to all.

GEO. H. HAMILTON, Correspondent.

MICH. BETA KAPPA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE, HILLSDALE.

Since our last report Beta Kappa has continued to enjoy success and prosperity. We have recently initiated Fred W. Miller, Mankato, Minn. and pledged Mr. Earl Garlough, Springfield, Ohio. Considering the fact that Mr. Garlough had two brothers before him who were Phis, we regard this as quite a victory.

Bro. B. R. Alward was compelled to leave school on account of the sickness of his father.

In the junior oratorical contest of the Theadelphic society, Bro. J. M. Weaver carried off the honors, while Bro. C. A. Lang worthy won first prize in the Amphictyon Society contest. There will be two more contests this year on both of which A. T. O. will be represented.

Bro. J. E. Hammond, who for two years past has very acceptably filled the office of Assistant Supt. of Public Instruction of Mich., has been announced as candidate for State Supt. of Pub. Instruction. Bro. Hammond is a worthy man, and we wish him success.

Athletics have taken a boom at Hillsdale, and quite a number of athletes have gone into training, preparatory to entering the sports next Field day. Bro. Charles Whitney has been elected track captain.

Financially, Beta Kappa is in a prosperous condition; being out of debt and owning nearly all the furniture in our chapter house. Success to all A. T. O's.

A. L. KITCHEN, Correspondent.

MICH. BETA OMICRON, ALBION COLLEGE, ALBION.

As we lost twelve men last spring and as many of the remaining brothers reside here, the chapter house is not so well filled as we would like to have it. But as this is a difficulty which we could not avoid and which can be removed next year, Beta Omicron stands cheerfully under it and the financial problem attending it. She has not retreated from the front rank in the least and what is better, she has a full corps of freshmen and pledged men, who are here for the course, full of fraternity spirit and made of the same material which has made us so proud of our A. T. O. alumni. Many of the older brothers go out next spring but we shall endeavor to make the younger men full fledged Taus and fill them with enthusiasm and love for Alpha Tau Omega, at the annual convention of the Michigan chapters to be held here the thirteenth and fourteenth of March, and by a reunion in the spring, which will call together our alumni from far and near.

Baseball is already well under way. Bro. Jacobs, who has been studying Greek at Athens, has returned to teach here and will probably hold down his old position. He is considered by many the best second baseman Michigan has ever had. With four men sure of positions and five others working with a fair chance of getting position, Beta Omicron promises to hold for

several years more the supremacy on the baseball diamond, which she has enjoyed for five years past.

The tennis men also are organized for work and Bros. Paine and Maywood, who, last year, were victorious everywhere in Michigan and second at Chicago in the Western Intercollegiate Tennis Association, bid fair to again honor Alpha Tau on the tennis court.

Bro. Burnette is editor-in-chief of *The Nebula*, the junior annual, and Bro. Paine is editor-in-chief of *The Pleiad*, the college weekly.

Bro. White, who has just returned from Alaska, has been elected director of sports for the Mich. Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Bro. Hopkins is tutor in Greek and Bro. Howe is one of the physical directors in the gymnasium.

At the senior banquet to be held soon, Bro. Leeson is toastmaster and Bro. Johnson will respond to a toast.

During our state convention Zeta of Delta Gamma Sorority will tender Beta Omicron and visiting members of the convention a reception at the beautiful home of Miss Frost, one of her members. An enjoyable time is anticipated by all who have attended our conventions in the past.

Beta Omicron extends a hearty invitation to all Alpha Taus to be present.

W. A. JOHNSON, Correspondent.

N. C. ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER, UNIV. OF N. C., CHAPEL HILL.

Since our last letter to the PALM, we have lost five men by graduation, four of whom were academic students and one a law student. This loss leaves us with only four active members and two pledged men, whom we cannot initiate until the university trustees fix a time. Still with this small number we are well represented in college life; one brother holding the position of editor-in-chief of the *Hellemiad*, our annual, and another, business manager of the *Tar Heel*.

Our little hall is a jewel and Dave White its corner stone.

LAWRENCE MCRAE, Correspondent.

N. C. CHI, TRINITY COLLEGE, DURHAM.

During the time that has elapsed since a communication appeared in the PALM from N. C. Chi we have had many difficulties to contend with. In the first place the trustees of the college forbade the existence of fraternities in the college and called upon those already in existence to surrender their charters. However, no active steps have been taken to force us to comply with their action. But inasmuch as two of our brothers were

members of the faculty at the time we considered it wise to become *sub rosa* again. This we did and continued to meet this way until the beginning of the term, when we no longer considered it necessary to remain *sub rosa*.

We have gone to work with renewed zeal and determination. Though few in number, there being only six, we are not lacking in enthusiasm and hope to add several to our number before the end of the term. Brothers P. C. Lund, W. W. Flowers and W. E. Nicholson will be in Durham for several years and will continue to look after the interests of Alpha Tau. Brother D. A. White, our Worthy Grand Scribe, frequently stops over with us and always inspires us. He is such an enthusiastic Alpha Tau that one cannot come in contact with him without being encouraged to put forth greater exertions in behalf of our beloved fraternity.

In regard to the statement of Bro. Jas. E. Green, W. G. H. E. in the January PALM, with reference to the name of our chapter, will say that our constitution gives our name as N. C. Chi, but on the other hand I remember the badges which our charter members purchased had Xi as chapter pins. Considering the fatality which Bro. Green intimates seems to be attached to the name Chi we could wish that ours might be changed but there must have been a mistake made somewhere as our constitution is most assuredly given to N. C. Chi. We would like the matter straightened and would like some one to suggest how it may be done. With best wishes to all the brothers.

R. A. MAYER, Correspondent.

N. Y. ALPHA OMICRON, ST. LAWRENCE UNIV., CANTON.

Since the last issue of the PALM, Alpha Omicron has been enjoying her usual prosperity.

The *Sketch Book*, edited by the class of '96, has at last appeared. It is a bright newsy book, containing many points of interest to St. Lawrence people and reflects much credit on its board of editors.

Bro. G. N. Partridge is the editor-in-chief, Bro. W. H. Murray, assistant editor and Bro. J. C. Dolan, Treasurer.

The glee and banjo clubs have been thoroughly organized for their trip in the spring. Alpha Omicron is represented on the banjo club by Bros. G. H. Partridge, A. O. Howard, J. L. Cummings and A. L. Partridge. The Bros. Partridge and Bro. W. M. Stout are members of the glee club.

Brother Clyde M. Burklew took part in the interdepartment debate recently as a representative of the class of '99.

A building has been fitted up recently for a gymnasium. St.

Lawrence has been long in need of a good gym., and this seems to be the first step toward obtaining one. Negotiations are under way through which we expect to obtain a valuable piece of land as a site for a club-house.

During the Christmas recess the brothers tendered Bro. Bacheller, who is the founder of this chapter, an informal dinner. A very enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Friday evening Jan. 4th, the chapter entertained a few friends at the clubhouse. Dancing was indulged in and all enjoyed a pleasant evening. With greetings to the PALM and its readers.

H. M. CONKEY, Correspondent.

N. Y. BETA THETA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA.

The question of a new chapter house is still the main one of importance to Beta Theta. The enthusiasm in the chapter has not at all abated, and we are all looking for a house in the near future, which will be a credit to the fraternity. The appeal made to the alumni some time since has so far met with a generous response, which indicates their great interest in the chapter's welfare. Though as yet only a small amount of the money subscribed by the members of the chapter has been paid in, most of it will probably be deposited in the local bank early next term. Then, having done something substantial on our part, another circular will be sent to the alumni containing a statement of the whole matter up to date, with another appeal for aid, and we believe those who have not yet subscribed will join the number of those who have and all will support us in this important matter.

Work on the revision of the song book which was delegated to this chapter, is progressing and the committee expect to submit the book in its revised form to the next Congress. Though this chapter was appointed to do the work, yet the success of the new book will depend largely upon the support received from the other chapters. Therefore if each chapter will send us any songs suitable for such a book the committee will be greatly aided in their work and the book will really be an "A. T. O. fraternity song book."

Bro. Affeld is putting the baseball candidates through rigid winter practice in the gym. and though several of the men on whom he relied have been barred by the faculty's restrictive rules, the prospects for a good team are very favorable. Among the candidates are Bros. Hodgson and Gannon.

Alien Drake, '99 of Buffalo, was recently initiated into the fraternity by this chapter and we take great pleasure in introducing our new brother to the fraternity.

F. R. BUMP, Correspondent.

OHIO ALPHA NU, MT. UNION COLLEGE, ALLIANCE.

Since our last letter two of our resident brothers have joined the great army of Benedicts. Dr. G. L. King was united in marriage to Miss Mira Stone, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio and Bro. W. M. Ellet, to Miss Jennie Lemmon, of Cleveland, Ohio. Miss Lemmon was formerly a popular student of Mt. Union College.

Bro. King is enjoying an excellent practice in his profession, and Bro. Ellet is successfully engaged in the real estate and insurance business,

We are greatly favored in having a large number of alumni brothers located in our city. Their association and advice is very valuable to the active members.

Our chapter was represented at the state convention by Brothers Johns and Morton. Bro. Johns being second in the local oratorical contest, also responded to a toast at the association banquet.

Bro. H. M. Rider, who has been out of school for some time, has returned and will graduate with the class of '97.

Our latest initiate are Eugene Rider, of Cleveland, H. F. Holloway, of Flushing, O., and J. V. Stewart of Newton Falls, O.

Bro. Moore, of Ohio Beta Mu, made us a brief call a few weeks ago.

Ohio Alpha Nu is receiving her share of college honors and never had a more prominent place in Mt. Union college than now.

We send best wishes to sister chapters,

D. J. BOONE, Correspondent,

OHIO ALPHA PSI, WITTENBERG COLLEGE, SPRINGFIELD.

It is with much pleasure that Alpha Psi again greets her sister chapters through the PALM,

Fraternity material at Wittenberg is somewhat scarce, and Alpha Psi congratulates herself upon the fact that she obtained the best that entered this year. The brothers so far initiated have proven themselves good and loyal wearars of the Maltese cross.

Bro. Hildum, '97, has taken his place among the front rank of his class. Bro. Hammaker, '98. our orator, though departed at the local contest, has shown some excellent qualities as a speaker. He handled his subject "The World's Greatest Magician" in a very able manner.

Bros. Hummon, '97 and Schmitt, '96, were elected by the Philosophian Literary Society to take part in a special program to be rendered at the re-opening of their hall March 14.

Wittenberg was represented at the meeting of Ohio colleges

at Columbus, for the purpose of organizing an Inter-collegiate Athletic Association, by Bro. Hummon, '97,

What are the prospects of our baseball team? seems to be the question which is agitating the minds of the student body just at present. Bro. Black, '98, who was elected captain, says that they were never higher. Under Bro. Black's efficient leadership we expect to see some very good results of the team's faithful practice at the gymnasium.

Bro. Schmitt, '96, was chosen by the senior class to deliver the class prophecy on class day,

Efforts are being made to have a large reunion of Lutherans here during commencement week. This is after the plan of the reunions held at some of the institutions of the church in the east. The affair promises to be quite a success,

Owing to the fact that Dr. L. A. Gotwald has not yet been able to fill his position as professor of practical theology, owing to paralysis, the seminary faculty have divided his work among them and the students are required to recite to Drs. Ort and Breckenridge. Dr. Baugher, of Gettysburg Seminary, has been mentioned by some as his probable successor. The Sem. students are hoping that such will be the case, should Dr. Gotwald be unable to continue.

The brothers are all looking forward to the state convention to be held in the near future and all anticipate an excellent time. With best wishes to all the chapters of our order and our Grand Officers.

GEO. BOHON SCHMITT, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA ETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE.

Since our last letter to the PALM, Ohio Beta Eta has had an interesting career. Owing to the excellent work of our "goat," we can take pleasure in presenting two new brothers to the fraternity, viz., Mr. Harry Boyleston Bass, '99, and Mr. Allen Porter Temple, '99.

The amount of work incident to the preparation for the Ohio state convention, which was held in our hall on Feb. 22, has greatly aided in producing a stronger fraternal bond among our members. The proceedings of this convention will be found elsewhere in this number of the PALM.

We look back upon our record in rushing this past year, with quite a good deal of pride. We have pledged six men so far during this college year, and all were bidden by from one to five fraternities. Our active chapter now numbers seventeen, while five men have been pledged. Bro. Philo M. Buck has affiliated with us from Penn. Alpha Upsilon, and Bro. Wallace E. Miller, of

Ohio Alpha Psi. Bro. E. W. Griffiths, who sings on the Aeolian Quartet, is taking post-graduate work.

Bro. Ellis De Camp won third prize of \$10.00 for a thesis presented on the Science of Religion. This prize was offered by Bro. A. S. Linn, O. W. U., '95.

The newspaper reports regarding the college rush here between the Junior and Senior classes were greatly exaggerated. The Juniors obtained the mortar boards in a peaceful way and no one was seriously injured in the rush.

Bro. Bass has about completed the State Catalogue of A. T. O., which we hope soon to present to the fraternity. We hope soon to see our national directory.

Bro. Shives announces to us that Mr. William Frederic Peters, the noted musical composer, has dedicated to him a new composition of Alpha Tau Omega waltzes. They will soon be placed on sale. The title page is a work of art, in which our gold, white, blue and green are displayed with great beauty. We bespeak for it a hearty reception throughout the whole length and breadth of our fraternity.

We hope soon to see the new song book which our Cornell chapter is to produce.

Beta Eta extends the warmest fraternal greeting to every one of our chapters and would be glad to welcome visitors at any time.

WALTER B. PEARSON, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA MU, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER, WOOSTER

Beta Mu begins the second term under very favorable circumstances. We regret to lose from our number Brother Walter Scott, who did not return to school this term: his address is 410 Sandusky St., Findlay, Ohio. Our number has not been diminished, however, as we wore colors this term for Brothers Sterling R. Funk, '99, of Wooster; we take pleasure in presenting Brother Funk to our fraternity as a loyal and worthy wearer of the Maltese Cross.

Beta Mu had the honor of brief visits from several alumni at the beginning of the term. Brother E. J. Shives was with us for a short time, and we had also Brother J. A. Beam, '92, Geo. T. Beam, of Dakota, Ill., and Roy Spencer, '93. Brother Spencer is now engaged in the practice of law in Toledo.

The usual Pan Hellenic banquet will be held Feb. 28; Alpha Tau has the honor of toastmaster.

The chapter is looking forward to the state convention at Delaware, and we expect to be well represented, as at least six of our boys expect to be present.

HOWARD D. PRITCHARD, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA RHO, MARIETTA COLLEGE, MARIETTA.

Once more we are entering upon a new term and Beta Rho feels stronger and more able to advance her standards than she has for some time.

We take pleasure in stating that Bro. John W. Crooks has returned to college. He has been working on the *Marietta Daily Register* since last June. His return is a loss to that paper and an encouragement to his chapter.

At one recent election of officers, Bro. Crooks was elected Worthy Master; Bro. Hughes, Worthy Chaplain; Bro. McKinney, Worthy Scribe; Bro. Suyden, W. Keeper of Exchequer; Bro. C. R. Sloan, Worthy Usher; Bro. Follett, Worthy Sentinel and Bro. A. D. Sloan, W. Keeper of Annals.

The College Glee Club gave a concert one evening recently. Beta Rho was represented by Bros. Suyden and Sloan. Bro. Suyden is baritone soloist of the Club.

The Athletic Association intends to give a "Historical Masquerade" in the near future. The affair promises to be the social event of the season.

Brother A. D. Sloan, '99, has left college and is attending the Ohio Valley Business College. His loss is felt not only by Alpha Taus but by the entire student body. He filled the position of short-stop on the base-ball team last season in a very satisfactory manner.

Brother McKinney, '98, has been elected captain of the base-ball team for '96. He filled the position of pitcher last season. Beta Rho will be represented by at least one more man on the team.

With best wishes for all.

F. B. McKINNEY, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA OMEGA, STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS.

Ohio Beta Omega extends greeting to her sister chapters in Alpha Tau Omega.

We have enjoyed a healthy state of prosperity throughout the year thus far passed, which we hope is universal in all sister chapters.

The O. S. U. Glee, Mandolin and Guitar Clubs gave a very successful concert at the Board of Trade Auditorium Friday evening, February 14.

Bro. Walter S. Snyder is President of the Glee Club, while Bro. John G. Evans is Secretary. *Estudiantina*, by Lacome, was rendered with great success by the Glee Club. Bro. Evans sang a very pleasing solo, which received quite flattering comment.

Bro. Roy Wildermuth is director of the Mandolin-Guitar and Glee Club, an organization of which he is justly proud, as it has established an enviable reputation. The combined clubs are making arrangements for a trip during the spring vacation.

Bro. Reed H. Game is now editor-in-chief of *The Lantern*, the college periodical, and the college annual also. The prospects are that the annual will be the best yet published at the university.

Twelve members of Beta Omega attended the state oratorical contest and state A. T. O. convention at Delaware, Ohio, February 21 and 22. The six Ohio chapters were certainly royally entertained by Beta Eta. Bro. E. J. Shives was in attendance and presided at the business session on Saturday morning. In the afternoon, the lady friends of the Delaware boys received the visiting Alpha Taus at Monnet Hall. The annual banquet was given at the Hotel Donovin on Saturday evening. Bros. Fritchle and Kirkpatrick were on the programme for toasts from Beta Omega, but Bro. Fritchle could not be present, and his place was taken by Bro. Wildermuth. The convention was a great success and Beta Eta is certainly to be congratulated upon the admirable manner in which she entertained the visiting brothers.

The baseball team has commenced gymnasium practice under the efficient coaching of Mr. Selbach, of the Washington League team. Bros. Carr and McKee are in training and will in all probability fill positions on the team. Bro. Carr has played center field on the 'Varsity team for the past three years, and is trying for the same position this year. Bro. McKee is a new man, but as he is doing fine work in the "gym" practice and comes with a good record at home, he will likely secure an in-field position. An excellent schedule has been arranged with Univ. of Michigan, Oberlin University and Ohio Wesleyan University, two games each, and one game has been arranged with the Columbus Western League team.

W. B. KIRKPATRICK, Correspondent.

PA. ALPHA IOTA, MUHLENBERG, ALLENTOWN.

The new year found all the brothers back, much benefited by the good cheer of the holiday recess. On entering the suite of rooms which constitute our hall, we found that a number of the brothers had not forgotten the chapter during the gift season, and had made personal donations of pictures, etc., which greatly enhance the beauty of the rooms. Alpha Iota secured a goodly share of offices in the recent college elections and can truly boast of controlling college politics. Some very desirable men have been elected and we hope soon to announce some initiations. The last election of the chapter resulted as follows: W. M., Hotten-

stein; W. C., Henry; W. K. E., Sykes; W. K. A., Kuhl; W. S., N. Fritch; W. U., Erdman, and W. S., L. Fritch. With best wishes to the PALM and sister chapters.

JERE J. SCHINDEL, Correspondent,

PENNA. ALPHA UPSILON, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE, GETTYSBURG, PA.

Since our last letter we have initiated two staunch and loyal men, and I take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bro. Harvey F. Grazier, '98, of Bedford, Pa., and Bro. Chas. N. Spayd, '99, of Harrisburg, Penn.

Bro. John J. Michler has left college and is at present at his home in Easton, Pa.

At present there is some dissension in the faculty of the college on account of church matters. It has resulted in the president, H. W. McKnight, D. D., tendering his resignation. It will be acted upon at the next meeting of the board of trustees. The outcome is anxiously awaited, as it concerns the prosperity of the institution and, indirectly, the lives of the fraternity chapters stationed here. With best wishes to the PALM and our sister chapters.

WHITE HUTTON, Correspondent.

PENN. TAU, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.

Since the last communication was sent to the PALM from Tau chapter, the chapter has been increasing very nicely, having added to the roll four new names.

We take great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity at large three new brothers, who we feel will always be proud to bear the maltese cross and defend its wearers at all times.

They are: Bros. Maxwell Boutecue, '99, Med., Fishkill, N. Y.; Wm. M. Wonder, '98, Med., Philadelphia, Pa., and Henry C. Houck, '99, College, Tenn.

Bro. Robert F. McMillan, of Tenn. Omega chapter, has entered the civil engineering department at the university, and has affiliated with the chapter.

The total number of brothers now active members is twenty-one, with prospects of increasing the number before the year closes to twenty-five.

At the annual election recently held, the following officers were elected to serve one year:

W. M., Bro. Geo. Thomas; W. C., Bro. Hays; W. S., Bro. Osterhout; W. K. E., Bro. Watt; W. K. A., Bro. Marshall; W. N., Bro. Shailer; W. Sent., Bro. Wonder; Cor., Bro. Hoover.

The annual banquet of the chapter will be held on March 12th, at the Collonade Hotel, in this city. The table will be spread with forty covers, and as this event is a notable one in the chapter's history, all look forward to it with pleasure.

The chapter was recently honored by a call from our Worthy G. C. Larkin W. Glazebrook. We enjoyed having him with us even for so short a time, and hope we may often be honored by his presence.

It is with feelings of greatest sorrow that we are called upon to chronicle the very sudden death of one of our most worthy and best beloved brothers.

Bro. Albert Baker Protzman. M. D., on the night of December 27th, '95, met a very sudden and shocking death, having been struck and fatally injured by a trolley car, while crossing the street in front of the chapter house.

Bro. Protzman lived only a few hours after being injured, his skull having been fractured at the base.

Bro. Protzman was in the prime of young manhood, full of hope, and with the very best prospects for a brilliant future career in his chosen profession, that of medicine. He was a graduate in dental surgery, and later in medicine, with the class of '93, and was at the time of his death taking special work. His very sudden death, not only on account of its suddenness, but also because we realized that we had lost a most true and loving brother, caused a sorrow to spread over the entire chapter which only the hand of death can bring, and the burden of which can only be lightened by the hope of meeting him hereafter.

P. D. HOOVER. Correspondent.

R. I. GAMMA DELTA, BROWN UNIVERSITY, PROVIDENCE.

As the second term of the college year draws to a close, it finds R. I. Gamma Delta holding a prominent position among the fraternities at Brown. This last year the membership has increased by over one-third, reaching a present total of twenty-eight men. Our finances are also in a prosperous condition.

This year we have initiated Bros. S. Adams, '97; E. S. Bishop, J. F. Casey, G. W. David, R. C. Estes, G. A. Golding, H. W. Hopkins, all of '99; Bros. R. J. Fuller and J. R. Wellman, of '98, and Bros. J. H. Deming and J. H. Randall, of '97.

Bro. Sedgwick, of Massachusetts Gamma Beta, has affiliated with us, and Bro. Davis, of Vermont Beta Zeta, is a resident member.

Our men are active in every department of college life, in literary, musical and athletic lines. Bro. Golding won the first

and second prizes respectively in Latin and Greek. On the *Brown Magazine*, and also on the *Liber Board*, we are represented by Bro. Nott, and Bro. Casey, is president of the class of '96.

On the Glee Club we have Bro. Coombs (president), and on the Symphony Bros. Golding and Gunn.

But it is in athletics that we have especially distinguished ourselves. We have won the title of the Athletic Fraternity, and we are not at all ashamed of the name. On last year's football eleven we were represented by Bro. Nott (captain) and Bros. Coombs, Emory and Casey. Bro. McComber is captain of the Track Athletic Team, to which a number of our men belong. At the indoor athletic contests Alpha Tau has won nearly half the prizes. At the recent B. A. A. meet, held at Boston, on February 8th, our men were entered in seven events, and three of them, Bro. McComber, in the running high jump, and Bros. Gunn and O'Brien, on the Relay Team, won prizes.

For the Varsity nine Bros. H. W. Hopkins, Casey and Sedgwick are prominent candidates.

Bro. Fuller, captain of the '98 class Relay Team, Bro. Estes, captain of the '99 class squad, and Bro. Guile, assistant manager of next year's football eleven, also deserve mention.

On January 27th we held our first annual banquet, which proved a grand success. The programme was as follows:

Bro. C. P. Nott, toastmaster.

1. Our relation to Athletics. Bro. S. A. McComber.
2. R. I. Gamma Delta. Bro. G. E. Walker.
3. Music. Bro. G. A. Goulding.
4. Charter Members. Bro. G. E. Coghill.
5. The Maltese Cross. Bro. J. C. Robbins.
6. Solo. Bro. Hugh Davis.
7. Undergraduates. Bro. J. H. Randall.
8. Our Future. Bro. A. A. Kempton.
9. Music. Bro. G. A. Goulding.

The sentiment of all the speeches was the same, pride in the fraternity, praise for the work done in the past, hope for the future.

With the prospect of a better chapter house next year, and with a number of good men in view, R. I. Gamma Delta looks forward to a bright and prosperous future.

JOHN H. DEMING, Correspondent.

S. C. ALPHA PHI, SOUTH CAROLINA COLLEGE, COLUMBIA.

Since our last letter to the PALM several brothers of Alpha Phi have had the pleasure of visiting the Beta Iota chapter in

Atlanta, Ga., and it gives us much pleasure to say that she is in a very flourishing condition, having a set of men who, we know, will do all in their power for the success and glory of A. T. O.

We regret to mention that our number has been affected by the loss of Bro. R. H. Pittman, who withdrew from college just before Christmas. He will soon take a business course at Poughkeepsie.

In the last issue of the PALM we noticed a mistake, which, if it is permitted us, we would now like to correct. It was mentioned twice that Bro. J. Y. Garlington was an alumnus of Tennessee Omega, but, on referring to our records, we find that he was initiated at S. C. Alpha Phi. (We believe Bro. Garlington was initiated at S. C. Alpha Phi, but later affiliated with Tenn. Omega.—Ed.) With best wishes to the PALM and to all the chapters, we remain very fraternally,

W. HENRY ALLEN, Correspondent.

TENN. ALPHA TAU, SOUTHWESTERN PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY,
CLARKSVILLE.

Tenn. Alpha Tau sends greeting to her sister chapters, hoping that they are in as prosperous condition as she.

Chapter work has been somewhat interrupted by examinations; but, now that they are over, our work will again go on in its even way.

Owing to the never tiring efforts of our chancellor, S. W. P. U. will soon have that long looked-for and much needed gymnasium.

We are much pleased with the last issue of the PALM. We hope that it will continue to have a number of illustrations in it. They lend interest, and put us in closer touch with our brothers.

Our officers for the ensuing year are as follows: T. B. Wade, Jr., W. M.; E. L. Hill, W. C.; B. E. Leland, W. K. E.; F. M. Mitchener, W. K. A.; G. W. Montgomery, W. S.; W. L. Wilhoit, W. Scribe.

With love to all Alpha Taus, I am fraternally yours,

GINDER ABBOTT, Correspondent.

TENN. BETA PI, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE.

We are sorry to note in this letter that four of our brothers have withdrawn from the university. Bro. S. J. Wise has returned to his home in New Orleans; Bros. W. C. Bays and J. H. Stevens have returned to their respective homes at Charlotte, N.

C., and Franklin, Tenn., and Bro. Richard Ansley, on account of the death of his father, has returned to his home at Centre Point, Ark.

Since our last letter to the PALM we have initiated into our fraternity Bro. Erwin L. Davis, of Tullahoma, Tenn., and Bro. S. V. Gardiner, who was initiated by Beta Pi in '94, has recently returned to resume his work at the university.

Our officers for the following term are: A. M. Clement, W. M.; C. C. Jarrett, W. C.; J. R. Snyder, W. K. E.; E. L. Davis, W. Sc.; J. G. Harris, W. U.;—Poynter, W. Sent.

We now have twenty-three active, earnest men, and are very hopeful of a pleasant and profitable term.

W. E. DOUGLASS, Correspondent.

TENN. BETA TAU, S. W. B. UNIVERSITY, JACKSON.

I regret very much that our chapter did not have letter in the last PALM. The failure was not in me, but in our former correspondent.

I will say, in the first place, that we have fourteen active members, all of whom are among the best boys in college. Our chapter seems to be getting on very well. I was proud to see, after I came back from my fall's vacation, such a spirit of brotherly love prevailing. Each brother seems "in honor preferring one another." We meet regularly, and I have reason to believe that we are greatly respected in this school.

In the second place, I must acknowledge that we have not co-operated with the PALM as we should. While I know it is each one's duty to take the PALM, still I have not been able, so far, to get all to subscribe for it. But if you will bear with us a while longer I'll try again. I know there is a great deal expected of us, being as large a chapter as we are. With greatest love for our fraternity at large, and wishing the PALM to go into the hands of every A. T. O., we are very respectfully yours in the bonds of Greek brotherhood.

J. S. PATE, Correspondent.

TENN. LAMBDA, CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY, LEBANON.

Tennessee Lambda greets you with budding prospects for a better chapter. The college term began with only two A. T. O. men—Bros. Gilliland and Horton, but with abundant material in the three departments and wise selections therefrom, we now number eighteen strong. Bro. Palmer, of Dublin, Texas, and Bro. Tipton were called home during the holidays, but will return next September, as will several other undergraduate mem-

bers. The true fraternal spirit is permeating our chapter. We are just beginning to realize the pleasure and fruits of a common brotherhood. The culmination of our growth will not have been attained until we make the A. T. O. the standard of true worth and manhood and the paragon of the five fraternities here.

We are found in the front on all favorable occasions, whether in athletic sports, class leadership or forensic contest. In our next we hope to give you the names, with some prominent achievements, of our brothers.

The Tennessee Lambda wishes to extend a heartfelt desire to the brother chapters for the promotion of good fellowship and loyalty within the bonds of our noble order. Fraternally

SAM. C. TIGERT, Correspondent.

TENN. OMEGA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, SEWANEE.

Inasmuch as Tennessee Omega is not now in session, it will be her correspondent's aim in this letter merely to keep her in the minds of her sister chapters. Throughout the year we have maintained the position we have held since the beginning. We have accomplished a great deal in addition to our quarters, and it is now the ambition and purpose of the chapter to furnish them in a style which will give us pleasure in welcoming our friends and any of the members of the other chapters who favor us with a visit.

The correspondent has had but little chance to learn anything of the different members of his chapter during the winter, and he hardly thinks that an account of the personal exploits of either himself, or the one brother who has stuck by him, would interest the fraternity at large, so he will spare the time:

We shall reassemble in the spring about eighteen strong, several of our flock having determined to seek their fortunes elsewhere, while others have launched upon what will constitute their life work. However, those who return are the ones to whom Tennessee Omega must look for her future, and I have the confidence to assert that if determination and sincerity will accomplish anything, we shall be in better position next year than now.

WM. HENDERSON, Jr., Correspondent.

TEXAS GAMMA EPSILON, AUSTIN COLLEGE, SHERMAN.

Texas Gamma Epsilon is able to report that she has lost but one brother since the Christmas holidays. Brother Hood Boone received the appointment from his district to the Naval Academy and left for Washington, D. C., to prepare for the examination. We are very sorry to lose him, as he was one of our new broth-

ers, and had many excellent traits and qualities which we shall miss very much.

We were exceedingly fortunate during the Christmas holidays to have Bro. R. E. L. Saner, Tenn. Beta Pi, a law student of the University of Texas, with us. We prepared to receive him in good style, but the day was very cold and rainy, and we contented ourselves with taking him out to the chapter house, where he proceeded to pump into us some very interesting things about A. T. O.

Bros. George C. T. Butte, '95, and George W. Mitchell came up from Dallas to spend the holidays, and were present to enjoy the very rare treat. Bro. Saner seemed to be very much pleased with the beginning of A. T. O. in Texas.

We have initiated since our last letter the following brothers, whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large: Bro. William D. Mitchell, '97, Sherman, Texas; Bro. Henry Monton, '99, La Grange, Texas, and Bro. Chas. W. Lawrence, '99, Longview, Texas.

Our chapter received its share of the society honors this term. Bro. Vinson, R. E., was elected orator to contest for the Smith medal; Bro. Gates Thomas was elected to represent his society at the intermediate celebration, and Bro. Vinson, W. M., was elected to represent his society at the forthcoming contest for the State oratorical contest. We have also received several new offices in the battalion. Bro. Gates Thomas was appointed Quartermaster Sergeant; Bro. Harvey Knox, Cadet Sergeant; Bro. C. A. Lanius, Cadet Corporal, and Bro. James L. McCall, Lance Corporal.

The following officers have been elected: Wm. A. Vinson, W. M.; R. E. Vinson, W. C.; Harry Knox, W. K. E.; Gates Thomas, W. K. A.; William Mitchell, W. S.; James L. McCall, W. N.; Henry Manton, W. Sen.

We will have our full paraphernalia in a few days, and we expect to adhere strictly to all of the rules and regulations of the fraternity. As soon as practicable we will begin the study of the secret work.

The chapter has enjoyed recent visits of Bros. J. E. and Roy Simmons, of the class of '95, Bro. Martin Wolcott, Bro. George C. T. Butte, '95, and Bro. George W. Mitchell.

Work on the new addition to the college has been delayed for some time. as the lumber could not be had at the mills. Work will be resumed by the first of March, at the latest. This chapter was the recipient of a very munificent gift in the way of shade trees, flowers, etc., for the grounds of the chapter house. Mr.

John S. Kerr, a very popular nurseryman, kindly volunteered to furnish the materials and fix up the grounds if we would pay for the work and make a notice of the gift in the *PALM*. We take great pleasure in acknowledging the gift, and extending to Mr. Kerr the sincere thanks, not only of Texas Gamma Epsilon, but of the whole fraternity, for his liberality. Mr. Kerr is experienced in this line, and is widely known in the State. With best wishes and fraternal greetings,

WM. A. VINSON, Correspondent.

VT. BETA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON.

This is a time when midnight oil burns low, and the student, with a weary step and troubled countenance, is seen plodding along with a blue book in his hand. One is impressed by the frightened glances of the freshman and the apparently careless laugh of the senior.

Our college year is half over, and during this busy season we must make an extra effort to have our meetings interesting and pleasant; so much so that the chapter meetings will be the first place of resort for all the members. That is what every chapter should do; make the fraternity a factor in the college course from which assistance can be drawn as well as strength, and guard against making the fraternity too much of a club affair.

For our mutual benefit and interest, we in our chapter have established what we call an *A. T. O. Journal*, which paper is made up of contributions from the members, being careful to chronicle anything of interest to our present or future brothers. We have the *Journal* read every two or three weeks, as contributions materialize. We find it a benefit, as it registers many incidents of interest to the chapter which would otherwise be lost.

We have quite a fund of musical talent in our chapter. We have a banjo club and vocal quartet, made up as follows:

Leader—W. J. Sayward; mandolin.

Banjeaurine—H. H. Hagar, '97.

Banjos—F. R. Wright, '96; R. M. Taft, '98.

Guitars—W. Le R. Bryant, '98; R. B. Morton, '99.

Violins—N. D. Blake, '96; J. A. Chase, '99.

A. T. O. Quartet.

1st Tenor—N. D. Blake, '96. 2d Tenor—C. A. Bates, '96.

1st Bass—W. J. Sayward, '97. 2d Bass—W. L. R. Bradford, '98.

It is with pleasure that we watch the progress which our W. G. Chief is making in the advancement of our standard and rec-

ord as a fraternity, and he should have the co-operation of every chapter.

Our brothers join in sending congratulations to our W. G. C. and his good wife for presenting to the fraternity a grandson, and we hope he will be as deeply imbued with the spirit of Alpha Tau Omega as is his grandfather and father.

With best wishes to all Alpha Taus.

N. D. BLAKE, Correspondent.

VA. DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, CHARLOTTESVILLE.

Virginia Delta greets her sister chapters. This is the season of the year when the University is most quiet, and consequently there is nothing of interest to the fraternity at large. The baseball team has been at work for two weeks. The fraternity will probably be represented on the team by Bro. Cochran, catcher on the team last year.

The fraternity has a good share of social honors. In the "Tilka" Society we have Bros. C. Abbot, Corbitt, Marks and Robinson; in Theta Nu Epsilon, Bros. Cochran and Robinson. Bro. Cochran is the leader of the German Club.

The following officers have been elected for the second half of the session: Bro. N. P. Marks, W. M.; Francis H. Abbott, W. C.; U. P. Robinson, W. K. E.; Wallington Hardy, W. K. A.; Gesner Harrison, W. U.; Forney Johnstone, W. Sent.

There has been a recent revival in the chapter, and a great deal of heretofore latent interest has been aroused.

With best wishes for Alpha Tau Omega,

C. M. ABBOT, Correspondent.

D. C. ASSOCIATION, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Editor of Palm.—Although the PALM correspondent of the D. C. Association of Alpha Tau Omega may be a little lax in the performance of his duties, this does not signify that the association itself is lacking in any of those qualities which go to make it the ideal alumni organization of the fraternity.

At present we have about sixty members on the roll and, notwithstanding the fact that we are compelled occasionally to part with an old member who is called to new fields of usefulness, yet oftener there are accessions which constantly increase our ranks. The latest additions are Bros. Fort, of Georgia, Erdman, of Pennsylvania, and Williams, of North Carolina. Though still young to Washington and the ways of her statesmen citizens, these brothers have been, since their arrival here, under the personal supervision of Bro. Thomas Ruffin, of "A. T.

O. Punch" fame, and it is hardly necessary to add, that they promise soon to become worthy disciples of their illustrious teacher.

Regular bi-monthly meetings of the Association are held for the transaction of all business that may come before it, and irregular semi-occasional smokers (?) are held for the purpose of disposing of other things which may come before the organization.

One of the pleasantest of these latter in the history of the Association was given by our Worthy Grand Chief. Dr. L. W. Glazebrook, on Monday evening, January 10th, at his residence, No. 1403 New York avenue, N. W., to meet Bros. F. F. Peter and Robert McMillin, of Tennessee, S. C. About thirty members were present and enjoyed the occasion thoroughly. The absence of Bro. A. J. Stofer with his banjo and his "Watermillion hang-in' on de vine," was the only thing that prevented the occasion being perfect in every respect. Bro. Stofer has promised that this shall not occur again, however, so we are all happy for the future.

Dr. Glazebrook makes an ideal host, and he is nothing if not an epicure. At 9.30 he invited the brothers into the dining room, where a most delightful lunch was served, consisting of everything that could tickle the palate of an A. T. O. Later in the evening a business meeting was called, and the Association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. All the old officers were unanimously re-elected.

Dr. Glazebrook, Jr., son of our Worthy Grand Chief, was elected and duly initiated into the mysteries of the brotherhood. Though only a few weeks of age this young gentleman bids fair to become a worthy scion of his name and an honored member of Alpha Tau Omega.

Before adjournment a committee consisting of Dr. L. W. Glazebrook, E. I. Renick and Dr. Erwin was appointed to make arrangements for the next smoker. They have decided to hold it at Maison Rancher, corner of Connecticut avenue and L street, on March 16th, and if any brother from out of the city can find it possible to be with us on that date he will receive a welcome which is accorded only to Alpha Taus.

N. B. STEWART, Correspondent.

PITTSBURG ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

The Alpha Taus in Pittsburg have held a number of meetings since my last letter, and interest among the alumni members continues. The meetings have been uniformly well attended, the

original purpose having been to hold meetings quarterly. This rule has been followed with very few exceptions.

The last meeting was held on the morning of January 3d, at the Hotel Duquesne. It was the most successful of the series, and those interested in the future of the association feel highly gratified. The greatest trouble experienced was to have a banquet and meeting that would attract the largest number. After repeated trials it is now thought the proper gait has been struck, and with anything like proper support the future is assured. All Alpha Taus attending future meetings of the Pittsburgh association can be assured of a good time. After many trials and some costly experiences we have learned a few things about alumni associations, and will try to profit from them. Write for information.

The Cleveland convention in December is already exciting considerable comment among the Pittsburgh boys, and they are laying their plans to attend. This question was brought up at the last meeting, and, if indications go for anything, there will be a large representation from the Iron City. This convention will be further discussed at the meeting to be held June 29th. Every Alpha Tau within hailing distance of Pittsburg at that time ought to make himself known, as we expect to have a big meeting and banquet.

At the annual meeting in September the following officers were elected: Bro. Geo. M. Hosack, president; Bro. George B. Deakin, vice-president, and Bro. Walter S. Lobingier, secretary and treasurer.

Several of the boys have subscribed for the PALM, and from the opinions expressed they are en rapport, most heartily, with the present management, and are greatly pleased with its present high standard of excellence.

WALTER S. LOBINGIER Correspondent.

CLIPPINGS.

ONE ON BRO. SYLVANUS STOKES.

Gerome Edwardy, the ingenue of Wm. Hoey's company, is a very charming young lady, passionately fond of babies. An admirer aware of Miss Edwardy's weakness presented that young lady on Christmas day a mammoth doll—an enormous affair which has since occupied all the little lady's time, attention and devotion, and has been the unconscious cause of endless amusement to "Old Hoss" and the members of his company.

At Chester, Pa., a few days ago Miss Edwardy, with the doll in her arms, registered at a leading hotel and was informed by the proprietor that all the rooms were taken. She turned to Hoey for help in her dilemma, who immediately gave up his room, much to the consternation of the landlord, who confidentially asked William not to make the sacrifice as the last troupe had a baby which died in the house and caused no end of comment and trouble.

Last week at Baltimore Miss Edwardy registered at the Eutaw, one of Baltimore's leading hotels, managed by Sylvanus Stokes, who, by the way, is the personification of politeness and southern chivalry. Stokes looked up Mr. Hoey and his agent, George S. Starling, who were standing in the hotel lobby and to them remarked: "Now, about Miss Edwardy of your company. She is a very young woman to be carrying a baby about the country and I would like to know what she does with her child when she goes to the theater." "Oh, she just locks it up in her room," said Hoey, with a side wink at Starling. "But, my dear sirs," said Stokes, "we cannot have that. I'll speak to my wife at once and have her maid look after the little one. We won't permit the poor little thing to be neglected in that manner while her mamma is at work." Stokes immediately hunted up Miss Edwardy and most generously and politely placed all the facilities of the house at her disposal as far as the comfort of the baby could be concerned, saying, "Now, my dear madame, if the baby wants anything, no matter what, we will only be too pleased to get it for it, the maid on your floor will be instructed to look after the child when you are out, and if you (hesitatingly) want any hot milk or anything of that kind, just you send down stairs for it at once." Miss Edwardy appreciated the position and very generously offered Mr. Stokes a peep at the baby. When the landlord caught sight of the doll's face he simply gave one "whoop" and rushed out of the room, and with agitated face sought Hoey and Starling, begging them not to mention babies to him under any circum-

stances and proceeded forthwith to order up a cold bottle.—*Cincinnati Tribune*.

THE GERMAN DUELING FRATERNITIES.

"The duels at Heidelberg are very famous. There is perhaps no university in Germany at which dueling is not practiced but here it is regarded almost as a religious duty. The sons of the rich congregate at Heidelberg, and they are the people who are especially addicted to this form of student pastime in Germany. It is not an exaggeration to say that between twenty and thirty duels take place here every week during the semester, and these nearly all at the Hirschgasse, a little tavern across the river from Heidelberg, which is known and advertised everywhere as the place of resort for such encounters. It has served in this capacity for a great many years. The sign boards point to it. It is mentioned in the guide books and everyone knows of it except the university officials and the police. It is not a ten-minute walk from the center of the town, though it is outside of the city jurisdiction. This, however, seems to be a matter of no moment, for some of the clubs for a period last year fought in the town itself at a tavern directly in the shadow of the old castle.

"There are duels here some three or four mornings every week by the members of the various fighting clubs, of which Heidelberg has an enormous number. The most aristocratic of them all is the Saxo-Borussia. This club bears cartel relations with the Borussia of Bonn, to which the Hohenzollerns belong. Five or six duels between various combatants are usually fought on the same morning.

"This is all a curious commentary on law and order as they are supposed to exist in Germany. Such machinery for the enforcement of law as is to be found here flourishes in no other land in the world; and yet, for one reason or another, the duel goes on unhindered. By the laws of the empire, without taking into account the penalties prescribed by the lower jurisdictions, there is the most severe punishment for dueling and the challenging to duel. In spite of various attempts to make other interpretations, the student duels have by the supreme court of the empire been decided to be duels in the sense of the law. Yet publicly in the Reichstag, no longer ago than last winter, an esteemed member of the Kaiser's ministry declared himself and his government at issue not only with the laws and the supreme court, but with whatever moral feeling there may be in the land against this malevolent form of evil.

"That there is a strong feeling against the systematic mutilation of the human face in the universities there can be no doubt

although it is sometimes difficult to discern. Those who are opposed to it, however, are so far removed from the throne of authority that they cannot make their influence felt. It is one of those abominations, of which there are several in Germany, that there will be no way to uproot until there is established a government which can rest in some way upon a free and responsible public opinion. Whatever the government of Germany is today, it is not this.

"Dueling is so common at Heidelberg that it is said sometimes by those who do not know their subject that all the students fight. This is, of course, not true, though there is relatively a larger proportion engaged at it here than at some other universities. There are surely not more than 300 fighters out of a whole attendance of 1,200. This figure, however, may be slightly below the mark."—*Philadelphia Transcript*.

A CRITICISM OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Women's clubs, though later and fewer, are far more ambitious than those of men. Men's clubs usually aim at one thing, as mutual benevolence or self-improvement, or, more commonly, social relaxation alone. Women aim at all in one, and hence their temptation to over-work and over-absorption is far greater. "The modern Women's Club," says one of its late orators, "is organized upon the broad lines of educational, philanthropic, sociological, civic, and scientific work, as well as the purely literary." This is strictly true. The difficulty is that no club organization, however admirable, can secure more than twenty-four hours in every day, or can make a woman so much stronger than a man that she can carry on a dozen enterprises while a man devotes himself to one or two.

The tale is as old as the Greek fabulists, of the man who tried to teach his horse to live on nothing, and would have succeeded capitally only that the provoking creature died. It is as easy to die of too much food for the brain as of too little for the body. An anxious mother said, the other day: "My daughter tried to convince me that it was a good thing for her, in addition to her ordinary duties, to go ten miles away three times a week to play the violin in a musical society. She accomplished it triumphantly. Ever since then she has had nervous prostration, and now she cannot play the violin at all." It is another version of the abstemious horse. This is where, just now, women are perhaps showing a little need of that "acquired discretion" which old Theophilus Parsons thought the chief thing wanting to their exercise of the franchise. Men have had longer to practice it; they may dabble in as many things, but more lightly; they be-

long to as many societies, but look in at each once a year; they do not undertake so much work in dead earnest. Even in college, we are told, it is much harder to keep down the studious ambition of girls than boys, and the disproportion long remains. After all, what good is done when a young married woman learns in a woman's club how to take better care of her children, if the cares of the club leave her too little time for her children, at any rate; when she studies public affairs, but has no time left to put in practice even what she knew before? This is no argument against the club or the class, but only against the "falsehood of extremes." It is better for men, and especially for women, to make clubs and societies their servants, not their masters; to go to them for innocent recreation, and withal for a reasonable amount of work and usefulness.—*Harpers Bazar*.

WHAT FOOTBALL DID FOR PENNSYLVANIA.

"The victories of the University of Pennsylvania football team in the past few years have undoubtedly been worth more to that institution than an endowment fund of \$1,000,000. This may seem at first thought an extravagant statement, but let us stop to consider it. The interest on \$1,000,000 is \$50,000 a year. This is balanced by the various elements set to work by the enthusiasm created by these victories. In the first place, on the purely financial side, the increased interest in athletics for the past few years has resulted in the building of a \$100,000 athletic field. But it has done far more than this; it has paved the way to a more brilliant future for the university.

"Again, the interest of the public is aroused in the institution by these recent successes, and, having it in their minds, many persons charitably disposed are far more likely to remember it pecuniarily. Then it has hastened the growth of the 'university spirit.' Again, the fame of the university has spread to many circles and to many regions where it was hitherto but little known. Its affairs attract as much attention now as do the matters concerning the other great universities, a national interest in its affairs having been established. These various influences, aroused or stimulated recently, are worth far more to the university than \$50,000 a year, for they mean growth and activity for increased efforts."—*Peterson's Magazine*.

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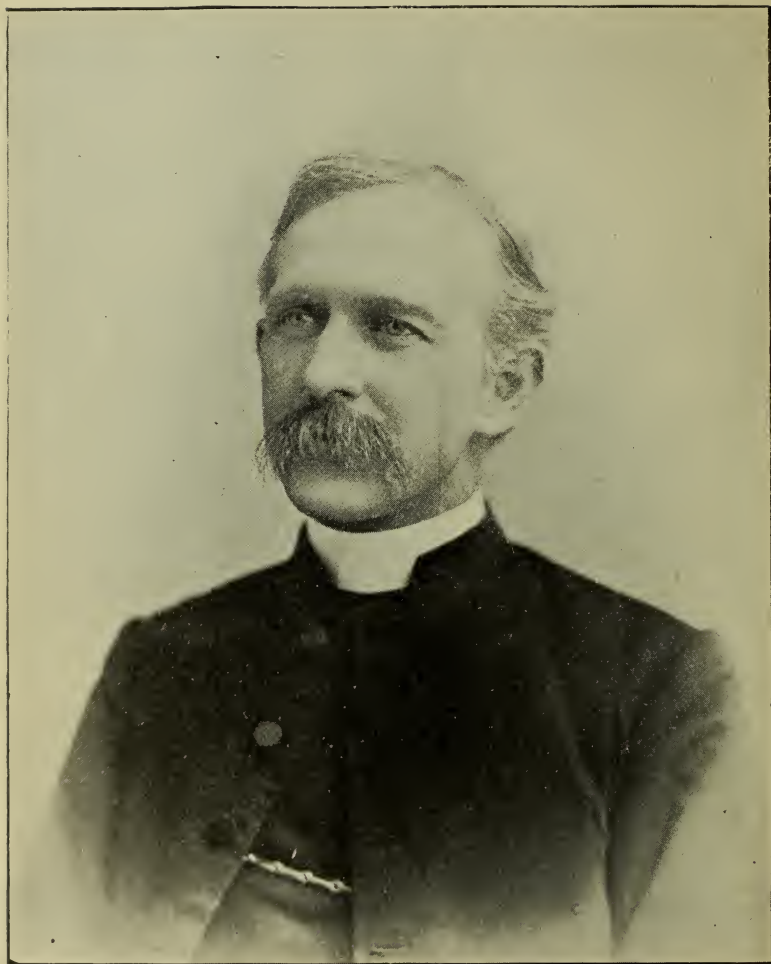
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OTIS A. GLAZEBROOK, D. D.

ALPHA Taus can never see too much of their founders, nor hear too much of them, and especially near and dear to every brother who wears the Maltese Cross are the kindly, noble and commanding features of the beloved father of Alpha Taus, Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, D. D. We, therefore, consider it a rare privilege for the PALM and a great treat for its readers to be able to present in this number one of his portraits, which is the happiest we have seen in bringing out the expression and forcefulness of one whose popularity and splendid reputation in the world of Alpha Tau Omega, where he is the crowned king and centre of all, is but a small portion of the homage of the multitudes who know, honor and love him. Especially valuable must the cut which appears on another page be to the younger brothers, who have never met Brother Glazebrook; and it must also prove of great value and interest to those older brothers, to whom he has ever been a kindly, helpful friend and inspiring teacher, and who will observe that passing time only increases and mellows his kindliness of spirit. One of the greatest misfortunes of our fraternity history is that the addresses of Brother Glazebrook at Congresses, the eloquence of which has always had power to move the listening brothers to tears, when pathetic reminiscences are touched upon, and to move them more deeply with the spirit of Alpha Tau Omega than aught else, have not been preserved. We trust that a larger number of brethren than ever before will have the privilege of greeting and listening to our distinguished brother at Cleveland next winter.

Brother Glazebrook's unequalled services to the fraternity

which he founded, both in the early days and later when it began to grow large and might have become unwieldy or inharmonious but for his wise guidance, is too well known to need attention here. Every brother knows about it, or he is no true Alpha Tau.

A founder of such a fraternity as ours deserves to stand with the best educators of the world as a benefactor of the educated man, and the work of Bro. Glazebrook has been of the utmost importance in the history of many of our educational institutions and has been an inspiration to a higher morality and a nobler patriotism. The ethical value of the teachings of the fraternity could scarcely be estimated in the case of many young men. And, after all, this is the most important side of a true education. As a distinguished educator said at the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Cornell University, if by education we have only succeeded in making men cleverer scoundrels, we have done an evil, rather than a good. The work of Bro. Glazebrook has been a necessary supplement of a true college education.

That Bro. Glazebrook's influence is considered highly important in educational circles is well shown by the following from the *Elizabeth Daily Journal* of March 30th, 1896, under the heading "Confirmation at St. John's:"

"The celebration of Palm Sunday at St. John's Church was marked this year by the confirmation of one of the largest classes ever presented in this city to the bishop. It numbered 63.

"The services took place in the morning and were particularly appropriate to the occasion. The church was elaborately decorated with palms, and despite the storm was well filled with worshipers. Bishop Scarborough was present, and conducted the confirmation services. He also preached an impressive sermon upon the 'Denial of Peter.'

"In the course of these remarks Bishop Scarborough referred to the fact that he was concerned for the welfare of St. John's, as he had learned that an offer of the presidency of a western college had been offered to its rector, Rev. Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook. The announcement was a startling one to the parishioners."

And in the same number appears the following explanation, under the heading "Rev. Dr. Glazebrook Honored:"

"The announcement made yesterday by Bishop Scarborough that the rector of St. John's, Rev. Dr. Otis A. Glazebrook, had been offered the presidency of a prominent western college, caused considerable uneasiness among the parishioners. They were fearful that their beloved rector might accept the offer and leave the parish.

"This morning Rev. Dr. Glazebrook told a Journal reporter that he had received an offer of the presidency of a college, but preferred not to say what institution. The offer was received about two weeks ago, Dr. Glazebrook said, and he had been greatly concerned during its consideration. The emolument of the office is considerably larger than that of the rectorship of St. John's and the offer was in every way a very tempting one. He felt highly honored by the gentlemen who made it, as the position was one of great influence and altogether very desirable.

"Had the offer been made 20 years ago Dr. Glazebrook said, he probably would have accepted it with alacrity, but after thoughtful consideration he had decided to decline it.

"He is very much attached to his parishioners, which was one of the principal reasons why he did not care to leave Elizabeth. There is also a great deal of work to be done in the parish most of which he has begun, and which he hopes to complete should his life be spared a few years.

"The letter of positive declination of the college presidency was written and posted this morning, which will be good news to the parishioners of St. John's."

We are confident that every brother will join the PALM in heartiest congratulations to the parishioners on the decision of our beloved founder, and in the prayer that he may long be red to minister unto them.

THE MICHIGAN CONVENTION.

THE seventh annual convention and banquet of the Michigan Chapters of Alpha Tau Omega was held March 13th and 14th at Albion, Mich. The convention was entertained by Beta Omicron in a manner that showed the visiting delegates that our Albion chapter knows how a thing should be done.

The visiting delegates were met at the depot by the Albion boys and escorted to their chapter house where they found every thing in readiness to make them welcome. We had no more than entered the cozy parlors than we were told to prepare ourselves for the reception tendered us at the elegant home of Miss Belle Frost by Zeta Chapter of Delta Gamma. The reception was a most enjoyable affair and we can assure all Alpha Tau boys that Miss Frost is a very charming hostess. Before the reception each boy's heart was trying to leap out of his mouth for he was wondering what the Albion girls were like and who he would get for the evening, but his fears were soon subdued when he saw the visions of loveliness that awaited him after the ceremonies of introduction were passed. The time passed so pleasantly that the hour of departure drew near all too soon and bidding the hostess good-bye we escorted our ladies home where we left them only to meet them a few hours later and escort them to the banquet which was held at the Hotel Albion. After all the guests had assembled in the hotel parlors Bro. William A. Johnson, of Beta Omicron, as master of ceremonies called on Miss Brandon, of the conservatory, for a vocal solo. Then as President Fiske, who was to give the address of welcome, was unavoidably detained at home on account of the serious illness of his wife, Bro. Johnson gave the address of welcome to which Bro. W. S. Wert, of Alpha Mu, responded in a most pleasing manner. After Bro. Wert was seated the guests were entertained by a piano duet by Misses Miner and Thompson.

The guests were then bidden to the hotel dining room where they were welcomed to a superb feast. At its conclusion Profes-

sor Delos Fall, acting as toast master called the following toasts:
 One and All.....Alfred K. Jenkins, Beta Kappa.
 Chapter House Life.....James O. White, Beta Omicron.
 The Goat and I.....Ray B. Morgan, Alpha Mu.
 Before and After.....Henry T. McDonald, Beta Kappa.
 The Fraternity Alumni.....Warren W. Wright, Beta Omicron.

This ended the program. There were many brilliant hits made in the toasts and the Brothers are to be commended, Prof. Fall especially keeping the company in a good humor by his flashes of wit. The company adjourned to the parlors where they were entertained by a violin solo given by Miss Mable Smith and the balance of the time was spent in social pleasures. There were about seventy-five guests present to enjoy the evening and the only regret was that it could not last longer.

On Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock the business session was opened. After the meeting was called to order Bro. O. M. Washburn, of Beta Kappa, was elected as chairman and L. W. Hanford, of Alpha Mu, as secretary.

The session was an interesting one as many topics were discussed. Each chapter promised to send a large delegation to Cleveland next December. Bro. G. H. Hamilton extended an invitation to hold the convention at Adrian next year. The invitation was accepted. During the day Beta Omicron was reminded of the friendship and goodwill of the Brother and Sister fraternities in Albion, by greetings and floral tokens. The meeting was adjourned to meet at Adrian next year as guests of Alpha Mu. This ended one more of Michigan's successful A. T. O. conventions.

L. W. HANFORD, Secretary of Convention.

A SERMON AFTER BURNS.

Come Dekes, Psi U's and Delta U's,
And Alpha Delts and a' that;
Phi Kappa Psi's, Phi Delta Thetes,
And Gamma Phi's and a' that—
Come, heed a bit of plain, blunt talk
From one who's been through a' that.

Ye think ye're each the real elect;
Ye form yer cliques and a' that;
I say ye're simply just yersels—
No more, no less for a' that,
For a' that and a' that,
Yer badges, grips and a' that—
Yer lives show plainer than your pins;
Ye'll be yersels for a' that.

Yer boast sa much about your rank,
Yer history, and a' that—
A chain's no stronger than its links,
And ye're the links o' a' that,
For a' that and a' that,
Yer chapter's name and a' that—
'Till be just what ye make it of—
Na more, na less for a' that.

Ye think, because yer neighbor man
Wears not yer pin and a' that,
He's but a dunce, cheat, a rogue,
A toady, "chump," and a' that.
But for a' that and a' that—
Yer narrow spite and a' that—
A man's a man, whate'er his badge:
Ye're but yersels for a' that.

Ye think, because yer sister fair
Suits not yer taste and a' that,
That she and all her sisterhood
Are weak, bold, silly—a' that—
But for a' that and a' that,
Yer spiteful speech and a' that—
She doubtless thinks the same o' you;
Ye're baith to blame for a' that.

And ye who wear na pins at a'—
 "Ye neutrals," "oudens," a' that.
Why should ye boast, grow sour, or whine?
 Stand up like men for a' that.
For a' that and a' that—
 Their greetings, grips and a' that—
Be each a chapter to yersels;
 Outstrip them all for a' that.

Shame, shame on a' yer jealousies,
 Yer slanders, plots and a' that.
Away wi' all such childish things,
 Be men! let go a' that.
For a' that and a' that,
 Yer badges, grips and a' that!
Yer lives show plainer than yer pins;
 Yer still yersels for a' that.

Think not to make yer badge a crutch
 To help ye on and a' that;
Ye'll be whate'er ye make yersels;
 The world cares naught for a' that.
For a' that and a' that—
 Fraternal help and a' that—
The time will come ye'll walk alone
 And rise or fall for a' that.

Then let us pray that come it may—
 Come soon, come sure, and a' that—
That college cliques may better mix
 With less of hate and a' that.
For a' that and a' that—
 Yer brotherhoods and a' that—
A man's a man, whate'er his badge;
 Be nobler men for a' that.

—J. SCOTT CLARK, in *D. K. E. Quarterly*.

NEW ENGLAND CONVENTION AND BANQUET.

THE first convention of the New England chapters of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity was held at Young's Hotel, Boston, at 4:30 p. m. March 12, 1896. Twenty-six brothers were present, representing the five New England chapters.

A temporary organization was effected by the election of Bro. Richardson, Mass., Gamma Beta, Chairman, and Bro. Nott, R.I., Gamma Delta, Secretary.

It was voted that each chapter be allowed one vote in the transaction of business, and to proceed to permanent organization. The following officers were elected:

Pres. Geo. C. Harwood, Mass., Gamma Beta; 1st Vice Pres., W. E. Ellis, Me. Beta Upsilon; 2nd Vice Pres., H. S. Allen, Me., Gamma Alpha; Secretary, Geo. E. Walker, R. I. Gamma Delta; Treasurer, W. L. Bryant, Vt. Beta Zeta.

A discussion followed upon the matter of expulsion from chapters of this fraternity, especially those in the South, Bros. Maguire and Richardson, Mass. Gamma Beta, and Allen and Blake, Vt. Beta Zeta, taking part. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved: That each chapter instruct its delegate to Congress to inquire into the numerous expulsions taking place in chapters of this fraternity.

The matter of second year pledging and initiation was discussed. Brethren from every chapter represented took part in this discussion and expressed themselves as in favor of the present system of first year initiation. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved: That the sentiment of this Association is opposed to the delaying of pledging and initiating of candidates until the second year of their college course.

The question of fraternity extension in New England next came up. The Association expressed itself in favor of the establishment of chapters at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and at

Bowdoin. In connection with this matter the following was adopted:

Resolved: That the chapters of this Association correspond with each other before voting on the granting of charters to new chapters.

It was voted that a committee of five brothers, one from each chapter, be appointed by the president to draw up a set of by-laws for use by the Association. After a recess of twenty minutes, the committee on by-laws reported; and, after the consideration of the report article by article, it was adopted as a whole. A committee of three was elected to have in charge the matter of securing a uniform size of badge throughout the chapters of the Association. Bros. Maguire, Mass. Gamma Beta; Allen, Vt. Beta Zeta; and Nott, R. I. Gamma Delta; were appointed. The Association then adjourned.

Following the meeting of the Association came the banquet under the auspices of the Boston Alumni, attended by about fifty brothers. It may be well to say here that the Alumni Association was formed last November, having as a charter roll thirteen members. Since then the number has increased to eighteen. According to the by-laws they will hold a Banquet every year, of which the one just given was the first. Prayer was offered by Bro. A. A. Kempton, of R. I. Gamma Delta. Worthy Grand Chaplain, Bishop John H. Vincent, who was to have spoken, was unable to be present, much to the regret of the brothers.

After a very enjoyable Banquet, President Frank G. Wren, after speaking of the formation and object of the Alumni Association, introduced Bro. Wallington Hodgkins, of Maine Gamma Alpha. Music and toasts were now the order of the evening. Bro. James P. Coombs, R. I. Gamma Delta, gave a song which was much enjoyed. Bro. C. E. Allen, Vt. Beta Zeta, spoke upon "Fraternity Extension." "The Ladies," was the subject of a pleasing toast by Bro. W. W. Clark, Mass. Gamma Beta; after which Bro. H. S. Cross, Me. Gamma Alpha, pictured "Alpha Tau in College." Bro. Geo. Goulding, R. I. Gamma Delta, rendered a piano solo which was heartily encored.

Bro. Geo. Maguire, Me. Beta Upsilon, then responded to

"The Maltese Cross," in which he emphasized the desirability of the wearing of the pin more than is done at the present time. "Athletics" was the toast assigned to Bro. C. P. Nott, R. I. Gamma Delta, who demonstrated his ability as a scholar and an athlete. Bro. C. T. Cottrell, Penn. Beta Chi, discussed "A. T. O. at the Bar." He treated the subject at first in a light and humorous way, explaining carefully the different kinds of bars. He then proceeded in a more serious vein and depicted something of the difficulties and rewards of a lawyer's life, gave a little advice to those about to study law and ended by wishing all success. "Going-on-at-Tufts" was the subject of a humorous and well delivered toast by Bro. G. F. Maguire, Mass. Gamma Beta. A coronet solo was then rendered by Bro. Miner, R. I., Gamma Delta, which was highly appreciated by the listeners. Bro. C. H. Farnham, Me. Beta Upsilon, spoke on "A. T. O. in New England," after which the Toastmaster concluded the toasts of the evening by reading an adaptation from Byron. Bro. Coombs, R. I. Gamma Delta, then concluded the post-prandial exercises with a song.

The usual vote of thanks was tendered the Committee of arrangements and the Toastmaster. Songs were sung and the evening finished with Fraternity cheers. The Banquet of the Alumni Association and the formation of the association of the New England chapters, we believe, have served to weld the chapters of New England together as never before. We, as undergraduates, feel the strength of influential Alumni behind us in our Fraternity work, and are striving to do all in our power to bring strength, concord and honor to good old Alpha Tau.

Communications for the N. E. Association may be sent to Pres. Geo. A. Harwood, Tuft's College, Mass., or to Sec. Geo. E. Walker, Brown University, Providence, R. I. Those for the Alumni Association may be forwarded to Pres. G. Wren, Tufts College, Mass.

GEORGE E. WALKER, Sec. N. E. Assn., A. T. O.



JAMES HENRY MARTIN.

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THE news of the death of Recorder Martin, of Ogdensburg, was entirely unexpected. It was generally known that he was ill, but the impression was abroad that he was improving; when suddenly like a bolt from a clear sky came the word that he was dead. Nearly everybody in speaking of their feelings said "It was a shock to me."

Bro. James Henry Martin was born in Waddington, 32 years ago. He was the eldest of three children; his father, Patrick Martin, died when James was 16; so for just half his short but useful life, he had to make his own way in the world. What his success was is patent to all who knew him. He was essentially a self-made and a well-made man.

After attending the Ogdensburg Academy and Canton Union School, he entered St. Lawrence University in August, '86. The class chose as their motto "Plus Ultra," and Bro. Martin seems to have had these words in mind during all his subsequent career. One success achieved, there was always "more beyond" for him, until now he is the first of his class to reach that haven which is the *summum bonum* of man's existence, and where there is no "Plus Ultra."

As a student he was noted not so much for his brilliancy as for his solidity. He never lost any time; he usually taught school during the winter vacations and worked on the home farm during the summer. He proved himself a shrewd parliamentarian as well as an able debater. His speeches and essays were like himself, strong and rugged; full of life and honesty; such as appeal to the mind and heart and carry conviction with them.

In his Junior year he became a member of the Alpha Omicron chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, and ever remained loyal to the chapter and its principles. At the beginning of the regular Senior vacation, four weeks before graduation, Bro. Martin, with characteristic energy, secured charge of the village school at Morley and taught during those four and the following four weeks. This was one of his distinguishing marks: that he never

missed an opportunity, but was ever on the alert and provident. He graduated well up in a class of nineteen and received the degree of B. S., June 11, 1890. The following fall he began the study of law at Ogdensburg, in the office of C. A. Kellogg, Esq., then District Attorney. After admission to the Bar early in '92 he was, within a few months, elected Recorder. He set out with the determination to administer the duties of his office with strict justice; and criminals soon learned that they would receive from him their deserts without fear or favor. On the other hand, those in trouble and those having a reasonable cause for complaint found in Recorder Martin a willing listener and a sympathetic friend. As he himself once said, it was remarkable how people, whom he never knew, would come to him for assistance; and he was generous in giving it either in the form of advice or money. In October, '95, he was married to Miss Agnes Behse of Ogdensburg. He was re-elected Recorder in '95 almost without opposition. He was personally acquainted with a great majority of the residents of Ogdensburg and was familiarly called "Jim" by nearly all of them. It is seldom that a young man secures such a hold on the affection of a people.

The dread illness, typhoid pneumonia, terminated fatally Thursday, Feb. 27, and he was buried Saturday the 29th. The various organizations to which he belonged, the Bar, the city officials, and a host of friends filled the Cathedral, where the solemn and impressive rites of the Catholic church were celebrated in his honor. It was a fitting tribute to his worth.

His young wife, his aged mother, his brother and sister in their great sorrow and bereavement may well feel proud of the life he has lived. His native town, his adopted city and his Alma Mater may all have a just pride in the share they contributed to the formation of a career so beneficial during its brief existence.

Early in life thrown upon his own resources, Bro. Martin necessarily mingled with the people, learned to know them and to like them; in turn he was known and trusted by them. Even while in college, he was active as a Democrat, and served his native town as a delegate at many conventions. Since then he has taken a prominent part in city and county politics, having

served as delegate to state conventions and having been his party's nominee for Assembly-man from his district. He was first elected Recorder as an Independent Democrat; the second time he was supported by all parties. His future was as bright and promising as his past had been successful. He, the earthly judge, has been suddenly called to appear before the "Highest Tribunal" where he will be able to show a record of sterling honesty, noble sacrifice, and upright sobriety.

GEORGE MURRAY, '90.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY AND OHIO BETA OMEGA.

THE Ohio State University has just passed the quarter century of its existence.

This lapse of years has wrought wonders in our University. The once solitary main building, known as University Hall, now stands amidst a score of buildings, which the increase in attendance from year to year has demanded. Hayes Hall, Orton Hall, The Chemical Building and many others, stand as monuments to the prosperity which has attended us in the passing of twenty-five years.

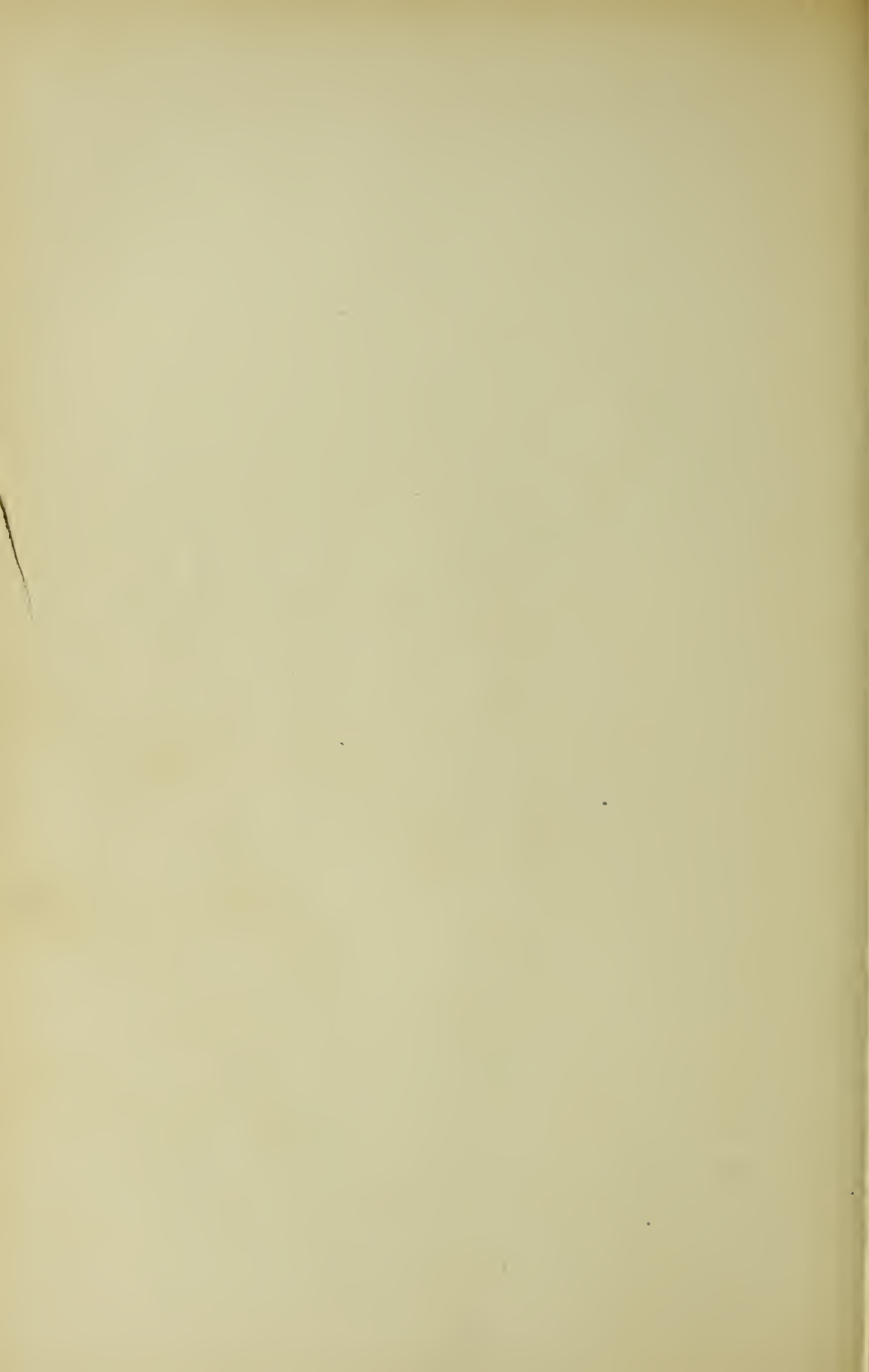
The appearance of our well erected buildings is greatly augmented by the beautiful campus on which they stand. The University grounds, comprising three hundred and thirty acres, are located three miles north of the State Capitol and are approached by two direct car lines. The landscape gardener has done his work well. Beautiful drives, shady lakes and springs, confirm the remark of a distinguished Englishman who while viewing the campus a few years ago said: "Ah! Here at last is a scene which recalls my native land." We are indeed justly proud of our beautiful campus, which is visited by thousands yearly as one of the chief attractions of the city.

The collegiate work of the University is divided into six schools as follows: The School of Arts and Philosophy, The School of Science, The School of Agriculture, The School of Engineering, The School of Pharmacy and The School of Veterinary Medicine. The general course in Science, which admits of a great amount of elective work, and the Engineering courses, including Civil, Mechanical, Mining and Electrical Engineering, are very popular and have a large following. The equipment for advanced work in science is especially fine. The Chemical Laboratory accommodates over two hundred students and all needed facilities are provided for the full experimental illustrations of the lecture courses. The Physics and Electrical Engineering departments have an excellent equipment, to which additions are constantly being made. A set of standards of length, capacity, and mass,



HAYES HALL.





made from the United States Standards are in possession of the Department. The Museums are all well equipped and arranged with reference to instruction rather than display. In all, twenty-one courses of study are offered. This includes the course in Law, which, since its establishment in 1891 has enjoyed a remarkable growth. The prospects for a continuance of our prosperity have been greatly enhanced by the incoming of our new president, Dr. James H. Canfield, who was inaugurated during commencement week of last year. Through his untiring zeal, the endowment of the University has been raised to \$250,000 per year by a recent legislative enactment. With this increase in endowment come two new buildings, Townsend Agricultural Hall and a new auditorium and gymnasium. Both buildings are badly needed and the prospects for their speedy erection are regarded with great pleasure.

In Athletics, the O. S. U. has always taken a leading place. Good Base Ball and Foot Ball teams are a well known characteristic of the University. Professionals have no place on the teams, however, as the faculty rules are very rigid in this respect.

With seventeen fraternities in the University, the social side of our college life is almost entirely in the hands of the Greeks. Fraternity loyalty is here in a marked degree, and of the sixteen chapters, all, with a possible exception of one, are in good condition. Phi Gamma Delta was the first fraternity placed here, being established in 1878: Phi Kappa Psi followed in '80; Sigma Chi, '82; Phi Delta Theta, '83; Chi Phi, '83; Beta Theta Pi, '85; Kappa Kappa Gamma, '88; Sigma Nu, '91; ALPHA TAU OMEGA, '92; Kappa Alpha Theta, '92; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, '93; Phi Delta Phi, '93; Theta Nu Epsilon, '94; Delta Tau Delta, '94; Pi Beta Phi, '94; and lastly, Delta Delta Delta, '96. It is thus seen that Alpha Tau Omega was preceded here by eight fraternities and seven have been established since our installation.

Alpha Tau Omega could not have entered the O. S. U. at a better time than she did. It was about the year 1892 that the State University first came into special prominence over other institutions of learning in this state. Consequently there was a large increase in attendance and abundance of material for a new

fraternity. Beta Omega chapter was the outgrowth of a class fellowship, most of the men being seniors. The charter members were C. A. Thompson, Ernest G. Evans, A. S. J. Eylar, C. T. Murphy, A. G. Buxton, G. D. Pearce, Morgan E. Williams, Geo. H. Moffett, Geo. C. Gibbs, and E. F. Pedlow. Having secured a charter, the chapter was installed by representatives from the Wooster, Delaware and Springfield chapters. Starting with a strong chapter, Beta Omega has never lost its fast hold and occupies a prominent place in the college affairs of the O. S. U. We are well represented in athletics and take a leading position in our class affairs. We are greatly strengthened by the well organized plan under which the six Ohio chapters work together. State conventions and banquets are held annually, which weld stronger than ever our tie of friendship.

Within Ohio Beta Omega chapter no factions exist to mar the pleasure of our college life. During the past four years a good foundation has been laid and the chapters now enjoys a prosperous existence. Friendship fealty exists in our chapter to the highest degree. The key-note and embodiment of our great order is with us.

"Friendship! Mysterious cement of the soul,
Sweetener of Life! and Solder of Society."

OBITER DICTA.

THE cat is out of the bag at last. Doubtless, many striving editors of fraternity magazines have marvelled at the literary excellence of the *Theta Delta Chi Shield*, in spite of the fact that its editor, Clay W. Holmes, is a very busy man and has suffered considerably from ill health, and has not had anything like the support from the fraternity which the high and enthusiastic character of the magazine deserves.

The following is the frank explanation contained in the last number of the *Shield*:

“A year or more before the *Shield* first came to our hands, the need of a competent stenographer was so great that we employed a young lady who, although a stranger, came well recommended. We soon discovered that her ability was greater than represented and very soon she became a private secretary, and so thoroughly familiar with her surroundings as to enable her employer to reach out and do many things which otherwise would have been impossible. The *Shield* was stranded. We took it in upon her voluntary offer to participate in the labor. The office of President of the Grand Lodge was added. We leave the readers of the *Shield* to judge whether its duties were carelessly done. To sum it all up, for seven years this faithful secretary was always at the helm, doing her part of the work and more. Then on January 1st, 1895, the editor's health being on the wane, he decided to give up all work for a time—leaving the private secretary in the employ of the newspaper, whose management he resigned. For ten months the only work the editor did was to make up the copy for the catalogue and edit the *Shield*. In addition to her duties in the newspaper office she continued her assistance as of old on the catalogue and *Shield*, neither of which could have been published without this help. We are glad to announce that we are now on deck for business again, and that the valuable assistant will return March 1st to her old position as private secretary to the editor and become the actual hard worker on the *Shield*. This fact insures a continuance of its present

publication so long as the editor is able to wield a pen and the brothers support it."

As a token of the appreciation of the work done for the *Shield* by Mr. Holmes' assistant, the fraternity lately presented her with an elegant, full diamond crown jeweled badge, with a suitable inscription. Hereafter, the exchange editor will doubtless be more sparing in his criticism and less laudatory of the work of Mr. Holmes.

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Through the courtesy of Bro. George H. Partridge, of N. Y. Alpha Omicron, editor-in-chief, we have been favored with a copy of the very creditable annual of St. Lawrence University, "The Sketch Book," published by the class of 1896. The binding impresses one favorably at the very beginning. It is in brown and red with lettering in gold. It is not too much to say that the contents do not change this impression. Everything appears to be neat and tasty and of merit. Considering the fact that the venture was largely in the hands of brothers of N. Y. Alpha Omicron, this was to be expected. It is, however, due to them to say that, while the success of the Annual was very largely due to our boys, as was the case with the Annual of the University of Vermont, commented on in our last number, it must be conceded that they did not take improper advantage of their opportunities, but treated their rivals very fairly indeed. The representatives of Alpha Tau Omega on the board were Bros. George Homer Partridge, editor-in-chief; William Hector Murray, associate editor, and James Charles Dolan, treasurer; and both brothers Partridge and Murray did some very creditable literary work for the book, while the treasurer reports it a success in a financial way. We note, in leafing over the annual, among other honors, that Bro. Murray was president of his class in its Junior year, and Bro. Jas. H. Gannon, Jr., was historian of the Freshman class, and Bro. A. L. Partridge was secretary of the "Middlers;" Bros. Murray and Gannon were on the Executive Committee of the Athletic Association, and Bros. Gannon, Stevenson, Harrigan and McCormick played on the football team. In baseball, Bro. Murray was manager, while Bros. Gannon, Giffin, McCormick

and Austin played on the team. Five brothers were on the Glee Club, and in every line of college work Alpha Taus appear to have been prominent.

Altogether the book is a great credit to the editors and must prove very valuable to all alumni and students of St. Lawrence.

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Mr. John Edwin Brown, editor of the *Phi Delta Theta Scroll* has written us in regard to the clipping from the *Sigma Chi Quarterly* which appeared in the "Obiter Dicta" department of the March PALM. The article purported to give the origin of Sigma Chi at Miami, and, among other things, stated that "The chapter of Phi Delta Theta seemed determined to enroll as its members the entire college attendance. As a natural consequence the house crumbled from its very unwieldiness, etc." (See Vol. XVI PALM, p. 97.) As the chapters of Phi Delta Theta which is referred to in the above is the parent chapter of that fraternity, the editor of the *Scroll* naturally resents the imputation that it initiated on the wholesale plan and indiscriminately. He has therefore written an open letter to the editor of the *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, in which Mr. Brown gives a history of the Miami chapter which appears to disprove the statement of the Sigma Chi magazine. According to same, the attendance at Miami at the time in question (from 1848 to 1860) ran from 200 to 250, and the founders of Phi Delta Theta were six in number and although they were practically free to choose from the whole student body, from the date of founding (1848) up to 1852, the largest membership enrolled at any one time was twelve, and up to 1857, thirteen. During all this time the standing of the chapter appears to have been exceptionally high.

The PALM, of course, published this item the same as any other clipping, and not with any intention of doing injustice to any other fraternity, and without commenting on the statements in regard to Phi Delta Theta. We are very glad, however, to make mention of Phi Delta Theta's version of the matter in this way, in order that our readers may not be misled. From the data before us we are inclined to believe it is correct.

All editors of fraternity magazines have learned with regret

of the enforced retirement of John Bell Keeble, the editor of the Kappa Alpha journal, from their circle. For six years he has been in service, and has always worked on a high plane of fraternity journalism, and has made a strong and salutary impression on the fraternity which he represented so ably. He has always insisted on a very high fraternity standard, and has ably advocated many important reforms in Kappa Alpha's fraternity system. He has been averse to sectionalism, *sub rosa* chapters and indiscriminate extension. He has always been frank in the statement of his opinions, and has had some animated discussions with other editors. He has constantly had the respect of the editors of other fraternity magazines, and his strong personality will be much missed by all. The occasion of his retirement is the increased demand on his time by his profession. He is said to be the youngest city attorney that Nashville has ever had, and has won an enviable reputation as an orator. He is succeeded as editor of the *Journal* by Verner M. Jones, for some time an assistant editor.

A LETTER FROM THE WORTHY GRAND CHIEF.

DEAR BRO. EHLE,

I cannot resist a feeling of pride which prompts me to write and criticise the last edition of the PALM. From beginning to end it shows the result of efforts spent, but the gratification more than overbalances all efforts. How gratifying to the fraternity at large must the frontispiece be, a chapter only a year old and yet having built a comfortable house—not pretentious, but comfortable, neat and more than anything else, a home. This should certainly be an incentive to all chapters, especially to those who picture nothing less than an expensive mansion. The average fraternity man is not accustomed to such luxuries at home and certainly should be well satisfied at college. Again, what a pleasure it is when our old friend Saner speaks in such terms of our “colts.” Lucky Texas to have such an affiliate! The A. T. O. badge will always shine brightly upon his breast and he can and will help us greatly in this important state.

At last my wishes have been realized in more than one way. Each chapter has responded to the appeal in regard to regular chapter reports, as evidenced; besides the financial support of the PALM has almost reached our expectations.

How delighted I am to see our personal column swelling. Such items are of so much interest to all of us! In this respect, our Alumni Associations can aid us so materially.

In the next PALM I shall hope to see not only a report from all forty-two active chapters, but from our Alumni Associations as well. Chapters that have been asleep are awakening, realizing perhaps for the first time, the true meaning of fraternity life.

An unusual effort is being made to publish our catalogue during the summer months, so that it will be ready for the next college year. I sincerely trust that each chapter will lend their aid in this important work. I shall expect the W. M. and W. K. A. of chapters to send at once to me a complete copy of their initiates from the beginning of the chapters, with their present addresses, occupations, date of initiation and honors. The request is in-

tended also for the Alumni Association. If prompt attention to this request is paid, much assistance can be derived by those who have this important and difficult work in hand. Perhaps before this letter reaches the chapters I will communicate with them personally. If my communication has not been attended to I trust I will hear from the delinquent ones at once.

As the session draws to a close I trust that unusual efforts be made to place the chapter for the next year upon a firm foundation, so that the loss by graduation of valuable men may be of no hindrance to the growth of the chapter.

Wishing you and the PALM, my dear brother, continued success, I am very sincerely yours,

LARKIN W. GLAZEBROOK, W. G. C.

EDITORIALS.

SOME misunderstanding seems to have been occasioned by the third editorial in the last number of the PALM, in which it was stated that only one active chapter had failed to send a letter to the editor for that issue, and that this failure was possibly due to mistake. In explanation, we will state that at that time we understand that Pa. Alpha Rho was no longer active, and we had not taken that chapter into account. Much to our surprise we subsequently received a letter from this source, which, however, arrived too late for publication. The chapter which we had in mind was Va. Beta, and owing to the late receipt of the PALM, by this chapter, on account of a mistake in mailing, failure to mail a letter was entirely excusable.

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We regret that we have been very much disappointed in the hope expressed in the last number that in the present number of the PALM we might have a chapter letter from every active chapter, thus surpassing the very satisfactory March record of only one letter missing. When going to press we fail to find letters from any of the following chapters: Ala. Beta Delta, Cal. Beta Psi, Ga. Alpha Beta, Me. Beta Epsilon, N. C. Alpha Chi, Ohio Alpha Nu, O. Beta Eta, Penna. Alpha Rho, Penna. Tau, S. C. Alpha Phi, and Va. Delta,—twelve chapters in all. There may have been some excusable oversight, but unless this is the case these chapters have a good grievance against their correspondents, which should not be entirely overlooked. Let every chapter see to it that a letter is sent to the next PALM not later than July 1st and, whenever possible, by June 20th.

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We are in receipt of a very tastily engraved invitation from Indiana Gamma Gamma chapter for April 17th last, and very much regret our inability to visit the brothers at that time. We have no doubt the occasion was highly enjoyable, as set forth in the chapter letter in this number. The brothers at Terre Haute are energetic and enthusiastic and know how to entertain in ele-

gant style. The same is true of our other young chapter at Champaign, where a most enjoyable celebration of the first anniversary of the founding of Ili. Gamma Zeta was recently held. Those brothers deserve great credit for their enterprise and loyalty, and we trust that all chapters will advance as rapidly and substantially as they and our Texas chapter have done.

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There has been a considerable amount of unfavorable criticisms of the proceedings of the Pan Hellenic Congress at Atlanta, an account of which, taken from the *Atlanta Constitution* appeared in a recent issue of the PALM. It appears that a numbers of fraternities had no official knowledge of the proposed Congress until after it had been held. We think very likely that this is true, and we have no positive knowledge that Alpha Tau Omega received any official notification of the proposed Congress. We believe that the fact of the matter is, that certain enterprising and prominent Greeks who resided in Atlanta, or in the vicinity of that city, were impressed with the desirability of having some official recognition of a very important feature of college life at the Cotton States Exposition, just as there had been at the World's Fair. Doubtless they were confronted with the same difficulties which hampered the action of the World's Fair Committee, and determined to go ahead and do the best they could without regard to the red tape, conservatism and narrowness of fraternity officialdom. It is well known that they were quite successful and that noted scholars and orators, as well as prominent officials, gave the Congress the stamp of their approval and graced the occasion with noble thought and brilliant oratory. This is sufficient justification, if any is needed, of the attempt which was made. We feel confident that those concerned were animated by the best of motives, and acted in no narrow spirit. It is a carping criticism which now claims that the officials of all fraternities were not asked to co-operate and that there is no occasion for such an organization as was formed. Let time, the arbitrator of all things, tell. Meanwhile, it is highly significant that a few Greeks should succeed so splendidly as did those at Atlanta.

We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. W. R. Baird, informing us that he intends to issue a new edition of his book on "College Fraternities," provided he can secure enough subscriptions to warrant the venture. The number required is 800, and the subscription price is \$2 per copy, or six copies to one address may be had for \$10. The author has sent circulars to all chapters with a view to obtaining information in regard to any changes in the fraternity world since 1891.

While it has been claimed that Mr. Baird's last edition of "College Fraternities" does not do full justice to Alpha Tau Omega, we believe that this work is a very valuable one for any fraternity man, and, on the whole, it is reliable and worthy of general support. Mr. Baird's address is 271 Broadway, New York City.

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The next number of the PALM will be the last for the college year and will appear about the middle of July. It is important that every chapter should be represented and we ask each member of each chapter to make it a point to see that the chapter correspondent does his work faithfully. The letters should contain a full account of commencement news and of honors won by brothers, and it would be a good idea to give the names and addresses of all new initiates of the year. Every July chapter letter should be interesting, because there must be an abundance of college and fraternity news.

Chapters are often very careless about financial matters, and very often neglect to pay their indebtedness to the fraternity and the PALM until long after it is due. We have heretofore advised all to forward at once to the proper officers money paid into the chapter exchequer for a specific purpose. All initiation fees and PALM dues should be paid in this way. The money for them does not belong to the chapter but to the general frateanity or the magazine. It is particularly important that all debts should be squared before the end of the college year. It is highly unjust to allow chapter indebtedness to remain as a burden upon those who had nothing whatever to do with incurring it. Very often it is said by chapters, in response to fraternity bills, that

large local expenses have fallen due which it was necessary to pay. This excuse should never be made. It is well known that initiation fees must be paid at once, before a brother becomes fully entitled to the privileges of the fraternity, and that PALM dues are payable *in advance*. To use funds intended for the purpose of paying one or the other for something else is wrong. The only proper way to do is to pay indebtedness to the fraternity first of all. That is the *fraternal* way of doing, and the one we trust will be generally adopted. Do not fail to square all your fraternity debts before you leave college. They are debts of honor.

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It is highly important that every chapter, alumni association and individual brother should co-operate heartily with the Worthy Grand Keeper of Annals and the Worthy Grand Chief in their efforts to publish a fraternity directory. An immense amount of work is involved, and those having the matter in charge are making strenuous efforts to send the book to press at an early date. Ex. W. G. K. A. Booth did a great deal of work on the records, and W. G. K. A. Green is continuing it in a most efficient manner. Circulars have recently been sent to chapters and associations and they should be filled out and returned *at once*. Every one should send all data in his possession to the W. G. K. A., and each chapter should also furnish the Worthy Grand Chief with a full return of the information required. The annual reports should be taken up *at once*, and the annual chapter report should be prepared and promptly mailed to the Grand Officers, the PALM and all sister chapters.

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Every chapter should provide itself with the Official Record Book, furnished by the W. G. K. A., as advertised under "Official Notices." It is quite inexpensive and exceedingly convenient, and will do much to preserve orderly records of our fraternity existence. There has been some looseness in this regard in the past, but the fraternity has now reached such a stage of development as to render its continuance intolerable. It is also exceedingly important that all minutes of meetings be kept in perma-

nent form; otherwise there is no official record of the chapter's life. The Worthy Scribes should give particular attention to these matters and make it a point to work in harmony with the W. G. K. A.

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At the last moment we have the painful news that Bro. B. M. Harris, M. E., '90, of N. Y. Beta Theta, has died in Mexico. No particulars are now at hand.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

THE personal department of the PALM is generally considered about the most interesting part of the magazine. The only way for the editor to get these items is through the co-operation of brothers who are interested in the success of the PALM, and it is urgently requested that they be sent in whenever possible. If you have none about others send one about yourself. It will be very much appreciated.

Bro. I. H. Ellis, '93, of Vt. Beta Zeta, is attending the Northwestern University Law School at Chicago, Ills.

Bro. C. J. Grout, '90, also Vt. Beta Zeta is taking post graduate work at Columbia University, New York City.

Rev. J. W. Morris, '91, Vt. Beta Zeta, who has always been very active in the promotion of the interests of this fraternity in the Northeast, is in charge of a church at Middletown, N. Y.

Bro. M. Adgate, '93, Vt. Beta Zeta, is a chemist at Bridgeport, Conn.

Bro. P. J. Glass, '79, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, is a successful practicing physician at Mobile, Ala.

Bro. W. W. Pearson, '79, Ala. Alpha Epsilon is practicing law at Montgomery, Ala.

Bro. W. H. Lamar, '79, Ala. Alpha Epsilon is chief clerk of the Post Office Department, at Washington, D. C.

Bro. B. B. Ross, '79, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, is professor of chemistry at the State University, Auburn, Ala.

Rev. M. S. Stephens, '80, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, is in charge of a church at Rock Mills, Ala.

Bro. J. J. Banks, '82, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, is Circuit Judge at Birmingham, Ala.

Bro. R. Lee Bullard, '80, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, is a Lieutenant of the U. S. A., and commandant at Dahlonga, Ga.

Bro. E. M. Brown, '82, Ala., Alpha Epsilon, is superintendent of the Mexican National Railroad at the City of Mexico.

Bro. W. La F. Hutchinson, '84, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, is State Chemist and Professor of Chemistry at Mississippi Agricultural College.

Rev. T. R. McCarthy, '83, Ala Alpha Epsilon, is in charge of a church at Atlanta, Ga.

Bro. C. H. Ross, '86, Ala. Alpha Epsilon, is Professor of Modern Languages at Auburn, Ala.

Bro. William T. Burdett, '68, Va. Delta, is an attorney at law and ex-member of the Virginia State Legislatuae.

Bro. W. R. Walliver, B. L. '70, Va. Delta, is Circuit Court Judge at San Antonio, Texas.

Bro. G. D. Wilkinson, M. D. '70, Va. Delta, ex-surgeon C. S. A., is located at Giddings, Lee County, Va.

Bro. Patrick H. Brewster, B. L. '70, Va. Beta, the eloquent attorney, is a member of the Georgia Senate and resides at Newman, Ga.

Bro. Percy Kinnaird, '72, Va. Delta, ex-Worthy Grand Chancellor, is practicing law at Nashville, Tenn.

Bro. G. W. Morris. '74, Va. Delta who is practicing law at Charlottesville, Va., is a member of the Virginia Senate.

Bro. J. R. Anderson, '75 Va. Delta, is secretary of the Tredgar Iron Works.

Bro. Sylvanus Stokes, Va. Delta, '77, is still proprietor of the Eutaw House at Baltimore, where he always extends a warm welcome to all Alpha Taus.

Hon. J. K. M. Morton, '80, Va. Delta, is Judge of the Circuit Court at Alexandria, Va. and always takes the PALM.

Bro. W. W. Owens, M. D., '80, Va. Delta, is city physician at Savannah, Ga.

Bro. W. B. Richards, M. A., '81, Va. Delta, is Professor of Mathematics at Rolla, Mo.

Bro. F. K. Hunter, Va. Delta '83, is a broker in New York city and lives at the University Club.

Bro. Thos. J. Randolph, '86, Va. Delta, is a practicing attorney at Norfolk, Va.

Bro. R. W. Bingham, N. C. Alpha Eta, is one of the professors in Bingham School, Asheville, N. C.

Bro. Wm. Bailey, '83, Tenn., Alpha Tau, is a physician at Bell, Ky.

Bro. W. J. Caldwell, Tenn. Alpha Tau, is a clergyman at Greenwood, Miss.

Bro. Wm C. Fitts, '83, Tenn. Alpha Tau, Attorney General of Alabama in 1895, resides at Tuscaloosa.

Bro. J. W. Faxon, '88, Tenn. Alpha Tau, is a banker at Chattanooga Tenn.

Bros. Robert and W. C. Lusk, Tenn. Alpha Tau, '90, are attending Yale College.

Bro. R. E. McAlpine, Tenn. Alpha Tau, has been a missionary in Japan since 1885.

Bro. C. C. Ziegler, Ph. B. and A. B., '82, Pa. Alpha Rho, is interested in the American Brake Co., at St. Louis, Mo.

Bro. G. T. Richards, C. E. '84, Pa. Alpha Rho, is chief engineer of the McKeesport R. R. at McKeesport, Pa.

Bro. R. K. Polk, B. S., E. M. '84, Pa. Alpha Rho, is an engineer for the North Branch Steele Co., at Danville, Pa.

Bro. J. B. Glover, Jr. M. E. 84, Pa. Alpha Rho, is chief clerk and superintendent of the Glove Machine Works, at Marietta, Ga.

Bro G. C. Babcock, Tenn. Omega, '77, is a physician at Vienna, Austria

Bro. B. L. Wiggins, Tenn. Omega, is vice-Chancellor of the University of the South, at Sewanee, Tenn.

Bro. C. McD. Puckett, Tenn. Omega, '78, is editor of the *Daily States* at New Orleans, La.

Bro. C. T. Quintard, Tenn. Omega, '79, is Bishop of Tennessee, and resides at Sewanee.

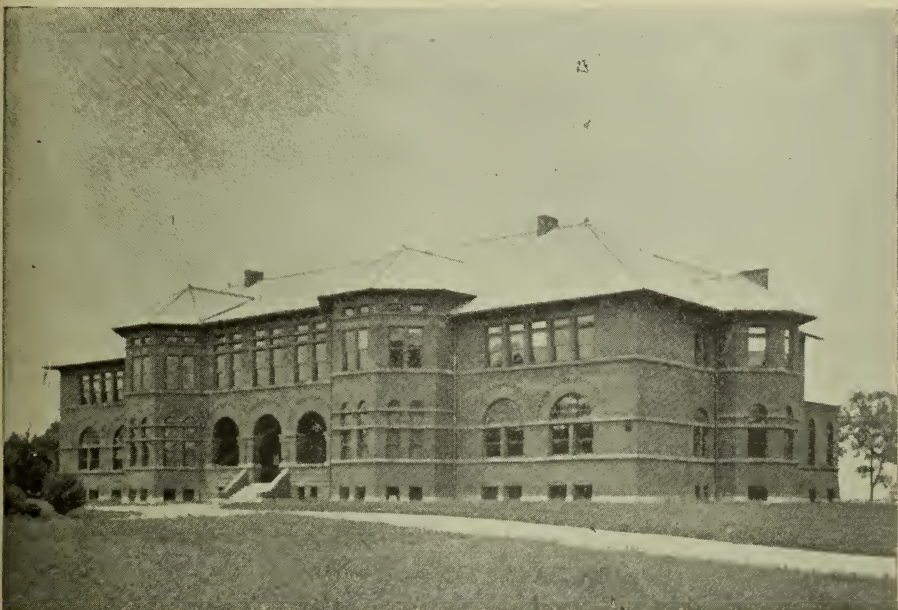
Bro. M. P. Ravenel, Tenn. Omega, '79, is a physician at Philadelphia, Pa,

Bro. F. M. Page, Tenn. Omega, '81, is a Professor at Bryn Mawr, Pa.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS.



ORTON HALL, (Geology.)



CHEMICAL HALL.

Bro. S. H. Elliott, Tenn. Omega, is a Lieut. of the U. S. A., and is stationed at Fort Reno, Indian Territory.

Bro. W. B. Nauts, Tenn. Omega, '82, is a professor at the University of the South, at Sewanee, Tenn.

Bro. T. F. Gailor, Tenn. Omega '82, is Assistant Bishop of Tennessee, at Memphis, Tenn.

Bro. M. Brewster, Tenn. Omega, '87, is a cleryman at Grace Church, New Orleans, La.

Bro. R. D. Ford, B. S., '85, N. Y. Alpha Omicron, is professor of mathematics at St. Lawrence University, at Canton, N. Y.

Bro. C. S. Giffin, B. S. '86, N. Y. Alpha Omicron, is principal of public schools at Newark, N. J.

Bro. W. B. McGerry, '87, N. Y. Alpha Omicron, is a professor at St. Francis College, Wisconsin.

Bro. M. H. Kinsley, '84, N. Y. Alpha Omicron, is superintendent of schools at Arlington, N. J.

Bro. Ralph Pringle, '84, N. Y. Alpha Omicron, is superintendent of schools at Brodhead, Wis.

Bro. H. Dullen, '91, N. Y. Alpha Omicron, is principal of public schools at Ogdensburg, N. Y.

Bro. E. B. Quinn, '91, N. Y. Alpha Omicron, is a student at Stanford University, Cal.

Bro. Frank C. Colvin, of Beta Mu, located at Auburn, Ind., was elected moderator of the Ft. Wayne Presbytery at the spring meeting at Elkhart, Ind.

The following is Dr. Chauncey M. Depew's receipt for happiness in old age: 'Join in their games, be a partner in the dance, romp the fastest and turn the quickest in the Virginia reel or the country dance; go up to the old college and sit down and light your pipe and sing college songs; take the children to the theatre and howl with them at the roaring farce, and laugh with them at the comedy and cry with them at the tragedy; be their confidant in their love affairs, and if they are not equal to it, write their love letters, and never stop writing some for yourself.'

According to a recent number of the *Churchman*, "The Rev James Craik Morris, M. A., (Sewanee), B. L. (University of Louisville), who was ordained deacon by the Bishop of Kentucky on Sunday, Jan. 26th, has been transferred to the diocese of Dallas in response to a call from the Bishop of Dallas and the vestry of the cathedral parish, and has entered upon his duties as assistant minister of St. Matthew's cathedral." Bro. Morris is a distinguished member of Tenn. Omega.

Bro. Paul McKnight, of Penna. Alpha Iota, was married to Miss Carrie G. Harbach, of Reading, Pa., on April 30th last.

Princeton has decided not to play football, baseball or any other game with the University of Pennsylvania during the next three years on account of alleged violation by the latter of the rule allowing only undergraduates to play on college teams.

Bro. W. R. Eckart, Jr., M. E. '95, N. Y. Beta Theta, who has been with the Siemens-Halske Company, at Chicago, Ill., for several months, left recently for San Francisco to take a position with the Union Iron Works, and work in connection with his father, the prominent consulting engineer.

At a banquet given recently by the Sewanee University men in New York City, the following members of Tenn. Omega were present: Vice-Chancellor B. L. Wiggins, of the University faculty, George Quintard, Ewel Brown, John Becket, Arthur Wilde, W. W. Memminger, F. R. Kimbrough and R. W. Elliott.

Bro. Percy A. Robbins, M. E. '94, N. Y. Beta Theta, after having spent more than a year in the service of the Philadelphia Traction Company, sailed in March last for Cape Town, South Africa, where he will probably follow his profession as electrical engineer.

Bro. Chas. A. Radcliff, '95, Ohio Beta Omega, is meeting with splendid success as professor of history at the Wisconsin State Normal.

Bro. E. S. Todd, '93, O. Alpha Psi, was recently granted a five years certificate to teach which practically gives him a life certificate, under the law regulating the granting of certificates which now prevails in that state.

Bro. Morgan E. Williams, one of the charter members of Ohio Beta Omega, is now located at El Paso, Texas.

Bro. E. T. Murphy, '93, Ohio Beta Omega, recently passed a competitive examination, and now has a good position at the Bellevue Hospital, New York City.

Bro. W. F. Porter, '94, Ohio Beta Omega, has an excellent position with the Fort Wayne Electric Co.

Bro. Foss, '94, Mass. Gamma Beta, is in business with his uncle, Mr. D. C. Heath, in Boston, Mass.

Bro. Wren, '94, Mass. Gamma Beta, is instructor in mathematics at Tufts College.

Bro. Johnson, '93, Mass. Gamma Beta, is in the insurance business.

Bro. C. H. Hagar, '96, Vt. Beta Zeta, is surveying in Canada for a few weeks. He will graduate with his class in June.

Bro. Frederick Tupper, Jr., Vt. Beta Zeta, professor of English at the University of Vermont, is delivering a course of lectures on literature, at St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Bro. W. A. Bell, of Va. Beta., is studying law at his home in New Orleans.

Bro. S. B. Avis, of Va. Beta, is practising law at Charleston, W. Va., and is one of the rising young lawyers of the place.

Bro. I. W. Eason, of Va. Beta, is practicing law in Norfolk, Va., being associated with Bro. Chas. Philips,

Bro. W. H. Tutwiler, of Va. Beta, is in the wholesale meat business in Baltimore, M. D.

Bro. W. N. Jones, of Va. Beta, is now at his home in Richmond, Va., on a short vacation.

Bro. W. A. Peterson, a Georgia brother, is studying law at Sewanee, Tenn., and expects to graduate this year.

Bro. Wm. Henderson, Jr., of Tenn. Omega, has one extra copy each of Nos. 2 and 4, Vol. XIV; No. 1, Vol. XV; No. 4, Vol. XV, and No. 2, Vol. XVI. Any brother desiring any of them to complete his files should write Bro. Henderson, at Tremlett Hall, Sewanee, Tenn.

In November of this year will be held the semi-centennial celebration of the founding of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity, although, we believe, the most authentic records make the date later. It is the intention to devote three days to the celebration, which will be held in New York City. It is estimated that the expense will be from \$3,000 to \$3,500.

An effort is being made to have Union College, the birth place of Greek letter fraternities, moved from Schenectady, N. Y., to Albany.

It is reported that Sigma Alpha Epsilon has withdrawn her chapters from Pennsylvania College and Cornell University.

Alpha Delta Phi has granted a charter to the "Lion's Head," a local society at the University of Chicago.

Kappa Alpha, Chi Psi and Delta Upsilon have lately established chapters at the University of California.

There is a student at the University of Kansas who is seventy years old, and who expects to graduate this year and take up the practice of law.

Bro. Harry J. Daniels, Mich. Beta Omicron, has accepted a position in a publishing house of Denver, Col.

Bro. W. D. Engle, M. A., Mich. Beta Omicron, who was graduated from Albion College in 1892, is now Professor of Chemistry in Denver University. Prof. Engle is the first to use successfully the X rays in photography in the West. We see, also, by a Denver Daily, that Bro. Engle has saved the city quite a sum by proving that the Electric Light Co. was furnishing light of but half the power guaranteed.

The University of Minnesota had 2171 students last year.

Bro. R. N. Newman, '92, Mich. Beta Omicron, pastor of the Upton Ave. Church of Battle Creek, Mich., is attracting the attention of the state by his scheme for helping the young men of the manufacturing district in which his church is situated. He has rented a house where entertainment, reading and social opportunities are provided. The work is connected with the church and has proved very successful.

Bro. W. G. Atwood, C. E., N. Y. Beta Theta, has won the appointment of assistant civil engineer of the city of Chicago, in a recent competitive examination under the new civil service law. His standing was five per cent. higher than any other competitor's.

Sigma Chi, at its Convention recently held in Cincinnati, adopted the following: "*Resolved*, that we congratulate Brother Grover Cleveland on results recently attained, but respectfully call attention to the fact that this is not a girls' fraternity."—*American University Magazine*.

The editor of the *Kappa Alpha Journal* reluctantly assures the public that it is mistaken in thinking that Kappa Alpha means "Kuklos Adelphon," or "circle of brothers."

CHAPTER LETTERS.

SEE that every member of your chapter subscribes for the PALM. This a strict requirement and must be enforced.

Answer all communications from Grand Officers at once.

You must have a letter in each number of the PALM. Note the \$5.00 fine provided at Congress. It should contain all the news, but must be condensed as much as possible, on account of the large number of chapters.

It is expected that No. 4, Vol. XVI, will appear promptly July 15th. This number will go to press July 5th. All matter should reach the editor by June 20th.

Punctuate carefully and write plainly. Be very particular about making the spelling of names legible.

Send in all the personals and clippings you can, separate from your chapter letter.

Follow the form of the heading of letters as they appear in the PALM, giving merely the name of chapter, college and town. Dates and all other superfluous matter should be omitted. An observance of this rule will save the editor much time.

Owing to the large number of chapters, chapter letters must not exceed 500 words. Bear this in mind. Never write on both sides of the sheet for publication. Such matter must be rewritten before printer will set it up.

See that your chapter's PALM dues are paid promptly in advance, for each active member. Every active member must subscribe for the PALM. This requirement must be strictly complied with. The next number will appear in the month of July, and chapter correspondents should send their letters so as to reach the editor by June 20th at the latest. The PALM will go to press July 5th.

Be a little careful about the use of superlatives and general boastfulness. Be enthusiastic, but not bombastic. Your fraternity is the best there is, and she does not need constant-strained

panegyrics. The men who write them very often fail to pay subscriptions after they leave college.

Be honest; be fair; be manly—in short, be an Alpha Tau in the full sense of the noble meaning of the name.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON, ALA. POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE, AUBURN, ALA.

During the last two months nothing of much importance has happened, but even during these dull times, Alpha Epsilon has been on the look-out for the interests of the chapter and has added to her number Bro. John O. Rush, '99, of Auburn, Ala. John is president of his class and will be quite an addition to the fraternity.

The Base-ball season is here, and we are represented by Bro. C. N. Jones, pitcher, and Bro. G. E. Mason, catcher, and we hope Auburn will be as successful at base-ball as she was last season at foot-ball. Commencement is near at hand, and everybody is looking forward to the closing exercises, especially the Hop, which will surpass any that has ever yet occurred.

Mr. T. G. Bush, of Anniston, Ala., will deliver the address and we expect Dr. Hawthorn, of Atlanta Ga., will deliver the sermon.

It is rumored that there will be *two* Hops in town on commencement night; but this must be a mistake, for such will prove no benefit to either side.

The chapter this year will graduate three men, Bros. B. A. Taylor, of Mulberry, Ala.; M. J. Bancroft, of Mobile, Ala.; and H. S. Henderson, of Talladega, Ala.

We have plans which soon will mature into a chapter house, and next year we will have a house of our own.

With love for sister chapters,

H. S. HENDERSON, Correspondent.

ALA. BETA BETA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, GREENSBORO.

Again we heartily greet all our sister chapters through the PALM.

Since our last letter, Bro. C. A. Williams, who has been teaching during the winter has returned to college. His presence in our midst adds very much to our pleasure and enthusiasm.

Our chapter is at present in a prosperous condition and the outlook for next year is most encouraging. This year we have met with bitter opposition from rival fraternities and perhaps have not received all the honor we deserve, but then we have never compromised a principle of honor to win a society election by cliquing.

We have had forced upon us the painful duty of expelling from the fraternity Frank K. Peterson and Charles S. Thames, for disloyalty. Bro. T. M. Morris, who was expelled by last year's chapter, was reinstated at the beginning of the present session and has done splendid work for Beta Beta this year.

We will be represented during the commencement exercises by Bro. D. P. Slaughter in the contest for Sophomore gold medal; by Bro. J. P. Roberts, for Junior Medal, and on commencement day, by Bros. J. E. Northcutt, T. M. Morris and I. W. Howard.

We had the delightful pleasure of having in our midst recently the entire chapter of Ala Beta Delta with one exception. They came down on an excursion from Tuscaloosa to witness a contest in Base Ball. They are fine fellows and we shall be glad to meet them again.

We expect quite a number of our alumni brothers to be with us at our annual banquet in June.

We close our letter with best wishes to the PALM and all brothers.

I. W. HOWARD, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA THETA, EMORY COLLEGE, OXFORD.

It is with feelings of the greatest pleasure that we again extend greetings to all the sister chapters through the PALM. We are just now entering on our sixteenth year, which we celebrated at our last meeting by a banquet and never did we enter upon a new year with brighter prospects. Although we did not get our usual number of speakers' places in the Freshman and Sophomore classes at the recent contest before the Faculty, still we have our share in the Junior and Senior classes, and so no Fraternity has very many more than we have.

A few weeks since, Bros. Phillips, Gwynn, Ward, Hankinson and Quillian were given places in the Junior class, the places being given on their class standing. We will also be represented on the commencement stage by two or three brothers from the Senior class. We are also well represented on the several class base ball teams, having four on the Junior and three on Senior teams,—more than any other Fraternity.

As has already been said, we celebrated our sixteenth anniversary at our last meeting with a banquet. The following was the program:

Toast Master.....	Bro. R. F. Cary.
Anniversary Address.....	Bro. A. H. Thompson.
Anniversary Poem.....	Bro. Elam Dempsey.
Toast to "Our Past and Present".....	Bro. R. G. Smith.
Toast to "Our Future".....	Bro. W. J. Bryan.
Toast to "Our Girls".....	Bro. H. S. Phillips.

At the conclusion of his speech Bro. Phillips gave us his "Negro Sermon" which was very much enjoyed by all. Bro. Dempsey's poem was one of the best productions that it has ever been our privilege to listen to. After being treated to a "mental feast," we were at last treated to a feast of "good things," which go to satisfy the physical man. At a late hour we retired to our rooms to rest, if by any chance we could, which is very doubtful.

Bro. Will Johnson, of '95, gave us a very pleasant surprise a few days ago, by making us a visit. Although it was very brief we enjoyed it very much, and will be glad to have him and any of the brothers call on us whenever they will.

Best wishes for Alpha Tau and the PALM.

R. F. CARY, Correspondent.

GEORGIA ALPHA ZETA, MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON.

We are glad to have the pleasure of communicating with the sister chapters of Alpha Tau once more through our magazine.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the Alpha Tau world our new brother, Alex. Baughn. Bro. Baughn is a member of the class of '99 and is a very bright young man and stands right up to the front in his college work. He is also gifted with musical talent.

Bros. Everett, Games, McCall and Whitney, of Ga. Beta Iota, favored us with their presence on the evening of the 11th. They all have the true spirit of an Alpha Tau.

The K. A., S. A. E., Phi Delta Theta and A. T. O. fraternities met on the evening of Apr. 18th and organized themselves into an association for the purpose of holding tennis tournaments.

The president of the association was elected from our fraternity. We are getting in trim for the games and if we do not win the championship, we will, at least make it interesting for the successful ones.

We hope to have a more interesting letter in the next PALM, and extend our best wishes to all the chapters. Fraternally

H. E. GLASS, Correspondent.

GA. BETA IOTA, SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA.

Three months more have passed, and the spring has rushed upon us with its sweet scented flowers and filled the air with their fragrant perfume; and now it is again our duty to chronicle the matters that pertain to Ga. Beta Iota. A few events have occurred in this time which may tend to interest some of our sister chapters and of which we feel proud.

It gives us much pleasure to announce to the Alpha Tau's that, since our last letter to the PALM, Alva Matthews, of Barns-

well. Ga., has been initiated into the mysteries of our noble brotherhood. Bro. Matthews has shown us already that he will do honor to our noble order; and, at our recent meeting, Dr. W. H. Emerson was also initiated into the mysteries of our brotherhood. Bro. Emerson is by far the most popular member of the faculty of our college.

He is a graduate of Annapolis and John Hopkins, and, at one time he was Professor of Chemistry at South Carolina Military Academy, Charleston, S. C., and he now occupies that chair at our College. In securing Bro. Emerson, Beta Iota has added another leaf to Alpha Tau's laurels and she is justly proud of her conquest.

In regard to the chapter I am glad to state that we were never more prosperous than we are now. All of our brothers are earnest and enthusiastic and keep A. T. O. represented in all branches of our college life.

Bro. Whitney is captain of the "Tech" base ball team and Bros. Everettt, McCall, and James hold important positions on the team. Bros. Nash, and Van Den Corput are our representatives on the college paper, and Prof. Chas. Lane and Dr. Emerson are active and prominent members of the faculty. The A. T. O. Tennis Club has also been organized and consists of Beta Iota members and her Alumni.

Four of our members visited the Ga. Alpha Zeta, Mercer University, while in Macon with the "Tech" ball-team, and our visit is one that will long be remembered. We found the Ga. Alpha Zeta in a most flourishing condition and her sister chapters owe her their congratulations.

The Beta Iota has worked hard since January refurnishing her chapter hall, and I can say that, although our task was a hard one, we have finished it and we have a very handsome hall.

Beta Iota hopes to bring the next Congress to Atlanta and is doing everything in her power to accomplish that end.

Bro. Whitney will be the only graduate Beta Iota will have this year. We have twelve men now on our roll.

T. F. JAMES, Correspondent.

ILLINOIS GAMMA BETA. UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, CHAMPAIGN.

It is with a feeling of much pride that the writer enters upon his duty as correspondent for Ills. Gamma Zeta. Although we have but few special honors to report, we are glad to say that the situation for the present is pleasing, and the outlook for the future is very promising. Our new rooms in which we are now well settled, are beyond doubt, better located and furnished than any others in the city.

Our reputation socially is of the highest, an informal party being given in our rooms every two weeks.

Since our last report we have the pleasure to introduce to the fraternity at large our last two initiates: E. C. Chacey, '99, and C. J. Horn, '97, which leaves us but one "spike," W. B. Ellsworth.

We are represented by Bro. Knox on the '99 class base ball team and Bros. Flanigan and Uppendahl the '98 team.

Bro. Horn was recently elected President of the Engineers' Annual "*Technograph*" board.

The following are our active members: Geo. Notermann, '99, Sidney Pithian '99, E. C. Chacey '99, W. F. Knox '99, John Strawn '98, C. O. Pitney '97, J. C. Beekman '98, Edwin Flanigan '98, H. W. Grieme '98, W. J. Uppendahl '98, C. J. Horn '97.

We are represented in the recently established chapter of the Theta Nu Epsilon by two of our members.

With best wishes to the PALM and to sister chapters,
W. J. UPPENDAH, Correspondent.

IND. GAMMA GAMMA, ROSE POLYTECHNIC INST., TERRE HAUTE.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. Kittredge, of Dayton, Ohio, and we take great pleasure in introducing him to the Fraternity.

Apr. 17 was the date of our dance, which was all that we had hoped for, being pronounced by those present a decided success. Among other decorations that evening was a large reproduction of our monogram in which the Greek letters Alpha Tau Omega, Omega Tau Alpha were flashed by 120 electric lamps, the design being almost entirely the work of Bros. Fry and Willius, two of our electrical students. It was the object of general admiration.

The "Alpha Tau Omega Waltzes" were well received and highly spoken of by all.

Two of our Alumni, Bros. Mundy and Speed, of Louisville, were with us for the dance and their visit was greatly enjoyed.

As June approaches, we are nerving ourselves to say good-bye to six senior brothers, who have made themselves dear to every member of the chapter and school and as the time approaches for their departure, having completed the college course, we appreciate them more and more, and it is with deepest regret we see them go.

Among our Seniors, Bro. F. E. Smith, Jr., is entitled to special mention. He is an affiliate from Ala. Beta Beta, and it is to him that Ind. Gamma Gamma owes her existence. He organized the chapter here and obtained our charter and has always

been our natural leader and councillor in all Fraternity matters and his loss will be severely felt by the chapter.

JOHN T. MONTGOMERY, Correspondent.

LA BETA EPSILON, TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS.

Since the appearance of the last number of the PALM, the Alpha Taus of Tulane can chronicle no more pleasing event than the anniversary celebration of the chapter; for, in point of social enjoyment, genuine fun, enthusiasm and everything else characteristic of an A. T. O. gathering, the celebration of this year eclipsed by far that of any previous one. Indeed the affair was decidedly a success, and, without doubt, this is to be attributed to Bros. Jas. Butter and Chas. Burthe, to whose charge the management of the entertainment was committed. Without making any additional remarks of our own, we shall quote from the *'Times-Democrat,'* which spoke thus of the evening:

"The annual celebration of the anniversary of Beta Epsilon Chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity is a formation that is familiar to the college-bred element of New Orleans society. Indeed, it is generally regarded in social circles as an event that carries with it a charm rarely found in any other social affair provided exclusively by college men.

"Last night was the occasion of the celebration of the ninth anniversary of the foundation of Beta Epsilon Chapter, and in no sense did it fail to sustain the reputation won by A. T. O's here for doing in royal style whatever they undertake. It differed, however, from the previous celebrations only in the fact that no ladies were invited. The members of the chapters and all A. T. O's. in the city being the only persons present. In some instances it has been customary to have a dance supper, to which the young lady friends of all Alpha Taus were invited, and these entertainments will be remembered as among the most brilliant affairs of the social season.

"But this year it was decided to make of the anniversary celebration a good old love feast in honor of the fraternity. And a glorious time they had. There was a banquet spread in the new rooms of the chapter on Carondelet street, and it will be a memorable one in the annals of anniversaries. Around the festal board were gathered fifty loyal A. T. O's., including, besides the members of Beta Epsilon, of Tulane University, all alumni Alpha Taus and visitors in the city. The feast was one that would have made the shade of Lucullus sick at heart if it could have looked over that table with its weight of good things.

"Mr. Edward Righter made an able master of ceremonies.

"The following were the toasts proposed all of which were excellently spoken: "Our Country," Russell Allen: "Alpha Tau Omega," Garland Dupre: "When the Spaniards Come," Gibbes Morgan: Beta Epsilon, of A. T. O.," Preston Herndon: "A. T. O. Girls," William A. Bell: "Our Founders," Allen Mehle: "Nashville Congress," William Maginnis: "Alabama and A. T. O.," R. M. Seal.

"Beta Epsilon Chapter of the A. T. O. Fraternity was founded at Tulane University in 1887."

There is considerable enthusiasm at Tulane now among the students generally, and everything about the University has a vivacious aspect. The boys are anxiously awaiting the appearance of "*Jambaloya*," the college annual which is to appear soon. The Spring games, too, will take place on April 25th. At present, also, the machinery of the fraternities, like the old clock, is running with a sturdy "Tick, tock, tick, tock;" although there were some who recently had an inclination to believe that if they should hold their ears close to the grand old machine, they would hear a subtle "click, clique, click, clique," especially the "*clique*."

We regret exceedingly to announce that Bros. James Debuys and Charles Burthe have withdrawn from the University to enter business. Bro. Jno. Minor, also, will leave us to enter Cornell. In the way of honors, we are glad to report that Bro. Jno. Lombard has been elected a professor in the University. Bro. James Nixon is manager of the foot-ball team; Bro. Allen Eustis is on the game committee; Bro. Rathbone Debuys is captain of the track team; and Bro. Nixon also is a member of the final ball committee.

Bro. Henry Rightor and Miss Ella B. Ernest were recently married.

Greeting to all A. T. O's.

RUSSELL ALLEN, Correspondent.

MAINE GAMMA ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY, WATERTVILLE.

The beginning of a new term finds us in a good condition for work. We have several new men under consideration and have no fear that we shall lose in number by graduation. Three of our men are absent as yet, though Bro. Burton will soon return to take his place on the college nine. Bro. Williams has taken the principalship of the high school at Clinton and will not be with us again until next year. Bro. Dyes who was absent during the winter has returned.

We find an error in the last number which we feel it our duty to correct. In the mention of the chapters of Phi Beta Kappa recently established, the Colby chapter is noticed and the statement

made that there is no chapter of Alpha Tau Omega in Colby. We can assure you, however, that if any of you will come down and investigate the matter there will be found in Colby at least sixteen men who will prove to your entire satisfaction that there is a chapter of Alpha Tau Omega in Colby. (We do not believe the impression created by this error was very strong. It was, of course, an oversight, such as will often happen in a busy office, and the fact that the Gamma Alpha had an excellent chapter letter in the last PALM was sufficient contradiction.—Ed.)

Our. W. M., Bro. Cross, who represented us at the New England Convention, brought back the most favorable report of the condition of the different chapters, and so, in the certainty of the prosperity of Alpha Tau, we try to carry on our part of her great work. Fraternally,

HARRISON S. ALLEN, Correspondent.

MASS. GAMMA BETA, TUFTS COLLEGE.

Gamma Beta still continues her onward march. Within the last week, we have had the honor of having a member on the winning side of a public debate and have also scored one first victory over a minor team for 1896.

Every man is endeavoring to do his share toward making this chapter a credit to Alpha Tau. The chapter attended in a body the first Alumni Banquet held at Young's. Too much credit can not be given to Bros. Coombs and Golding for making this a veritable treat by their musical selections. Visitors from other chapters are almost monthly received on the Hill now. Bro. Sayward, of U. V. M. was the latest brother to call in on the boys. Such intercourse is only one of the many good ways in which the brothers may become better acquainted. Let every one come who can. There is plenty of room for all.

The weather has moderated enough now to allow the ball team to get in some hard practice. Bro. Nuader has already made sure of Varsity Catcher and with the other veterans of the chapter we expect to make things hustle. Bro. Russell is also a flourishing candidate for the "box." With five indispensable men on the team and so many on the Foot-ball and Track teams, Gamma Beta may well be proud. In college work we also have some of the best. Bros. Rich, Plorme, Clapp and Dillon are men to be proud of in the classroom.

Manager Dillon, of the Varsity, has arranged a great schedule for '96. During our trip we strike U. V. M. and look forward with pleasure for the loyal handshakes of Beta Zeta.

Our picture of chapter we will probably send on for the next PALM.

The following is a list of our new officers: Bros. Richardson, '97, W. M.; Avery, '98, W. Chaplain; Plumb, '97, W. K. E.; Mitchell, '97, W. Scribe; Russell, W. K. A.; Harwood, '98, W. Usher; Crowley, '97, W. Sentinel.

With best wishes to every Alpha Tau.

F. M. RANDLETT, Acting Correspondent.

MICH. ALPHA MU, ADRIAN COLLEGE, ADRIAN.

The spring term, always a pleasant one, has been especially so thus far at Adrian. With the bright spring days come the athletic sports and more of the social life, both of which make agreeable accompaniments to intellectual labor.

The base ball team is the best Adrian has ever had and three of the positions are filled by Alpha Taus. During the past month we have received visits from Bros. Paine, Burnette, Hurrey and Fall of Beta Omicron; Bro. Keeler, of Beta Kappa, who has recently returned from Cornell, also Bro. Williams '92, who is now tutor at the University of Michigan. These visits which we greatly enjoyed are largely the result of the Michigan State Conventions.

In June we lose by graduation Bros. West, Morgan and Steele. Bro Morgan will go to Detroit, while the other two will enter the ministry in Ohio. Bro. Will Hamilton re-entered college in April and will go out with the class of '97.

Bro. Hayes left at the close of the winter term and is now traveling for a Chicago firm. He will be with us next fall. Our prospects for next year are good, as but one brother, besides those who graduate, does not expect to return. Bro. Bailey leaves Adrian to begin the study of Pharmacy at the University of Pennsylvania.

We have just finished our fraternity rooms in the city and now have a very cozy lodge where we meet every Saturday night and often during the week. An appeal to the Alumni brothers for aid in procuring the furniture, met with a generous response, which, in addition to contributions from the active members, enabled us to equip the rooms in handsome style.

Our chapter is anticipating a visit to the lake, fifteen miles from Adrian, the latter part of May, Bro. Johnson having offered us the use of his cottage during our stay.

GEO. H. HAMILTON, Correspondent.

MICH. BETA KAPPA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE, HILLSDALE.

Since our last report we have initiated three worthy men into the mysteries of our brotherhood—F. E. Garlough; I. H. Col-

burn and Wm. Ambler. This makes our number sixteen active men.

Alpha Taus continue to receive their share of college honors. In fact, this seems to be an A. T. O. year at Hillsdale.

In the Amphy Freshman contest, Bro. H. C. Colburn carried off first honors and E. V. Depew, a pledged man, took second. Bro. North was elected President and Valedictorian of the Senior Class. Bro. H. T. McDonald will be manager of football team next year.

The election of Spring Presidents for the Literary Societies resulted in Bro. Whitney being elected in the Amphy Society and Bro. Kitchen in the A. K. P. Society.

Bro. C. A. Langworthy was chosen as Junior Orator for Class day. Bro. Wm. Ambler, a student in '90-'91, has returned to graduate with the class of '96.

Interest in athletics is on the rise at Hillsdale and a large number of students are training for field day. Several of our boys are on the team.

Miss Deering, for ten years Lady Principal, has resigned, in order to take up duties at her old home in Maine. So far no one has been selected to permanently fill her place.

The Hillsdale Collegian, heretofore in the hands of the faculty, has passed into possession of the Literary Societies. Bro. H. T. McDonald is editor from Theadelphia Society. At our election at the beginning of the term the following officers were elected:

W. M., William Ambler; W. C., Fred W. Miller; W. K. E., Henry T. McDonald; W. K. A., John R. Armstrong; W. S., Harvey C. Colburn; W. N., Homer E. Phelps; W. Sen., A. Kendal Jenkins.

With best wishes for PALM and sister chapters.

A. L. KITCHEN, Correspondent.

MICH. BETA OMICRON, ALBION COLLEGE, ALBION.

All seems to go well with Beta Omicron. Interest now centers on baseball and tennis, in both of which A. T. O. is in the van. In baseball we have five men on the team and two substitutes. We have the pitcher, first baseman, short stop, second baseman and centerfielder. In tennis the prospects are that two Taus will again represent Albion College.

Beta Omicron never takes a man because he is an athlete, but she rejoices in the athletic achievements of her true and loyal men, as she does in their moral and intellectual standing.

Last term was marked by the appearance of a new fraternity in our midst, Gamma Gamma of Sigma Nu. This makes the total four, the other two being Sigma Chi and Delta Tau Delta, while

among the ladies there are chapters of Delta Gamma, Alpha Chi Omega and Kappa Alpha Theta.

The capture, last term, of Bro. Geo. Snyder out of the hands of the other fraternities gladdened our hearts and this term we have added to our roll the names of William and John Narrier, twin babes, of whom we are proud.

The state convention here in March was a complete success, if the words of forty of Albion's girls mean anything.

Bro. W. E. Burnette won the oratical contest of the Junior class.

As was the rule last year, the faculty will allow no student whose work is unsatisfactory to take part in athletics. The rule is considered a good one both for the school and for athletics.

We are pleased to see the face of Bro. W. E. Parsons, Pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of Danville, Ill., and an Honorary member of Beta Omicron, who returns to deliver a lecture in this city. Fraternally,

W. A. JOHNSON, Correspondent.

N. Y. ALPHA OMICRON, ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY, CANTON.

Your correspondent enters upon his duties late in the year, yet it is with pleasure that he takes up his pen, even though it is for a simple letter to the PALM,

It has been the fortune of the writer to enter the chapter of which he is a member at a time when it was in a precarious condition and to pass with it through a series of successes to the pre-eminent place which it now occupies. Nor have its gains been made by chance. They are due to a well framed policy, conducted on liberal but judicious principles. From rooms in a business block, it proceeded to a rented chapter house, which, by the aid of friends it has elegantly furnished. Plans have been framed by which in a few years it will be in a house of its own, and one of which all Alpha Taus may feel proud.

We chronicle the following items of interest: Bro. Austin has recently been elected Business Manager of the *Athletica*, to succeed Bro. Murray, while Bro. Appleton was elected Vice President.

The Varsity Base Ball Association has organized and several of our men are sure of places on the team.

Bro. Murray represented the college in an interdepartment debate with the theologues a few weeks since.

Bro. W. J. Wood, '88, a prominent N. Y. lawyer, recently visited the chapter.

Bro. Stout, '99, has been elected a member of the University

Banjo, Mandolin and Glee Club and, together with Bros. Howard, Cummings, A. L. and G. H. Partridge, recently made a tour of Western N. Y. with the club which played at Rochester, Lockport, Syracuse, Rome, Watertown and several other places in the state.

The eighth annual reception and ball of N. Y. Alpha Omicron chapter of Alpha Tau Omega was held in Miner Hall, Canton, on the evening of April 17. About seventy couples attended, The hall was prettily draped in college and fraternity colors, while rich portieres of blue and gold hung at the windows. Emblems and insignia of the fraternity were conspicuous everywhere. The occasion was considered the most swell affair that has been held in Canton in recent years, and is a great credit to the chapter and the fraternity.

With best wishes to all the brothers. Fraternaly yours,
G. H. PARTRIDGE, Correspondent.

NEW YORK BETA THETA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA.

The Spring Term, especially at Cornell, is the term of all the year in which athletics occupy a large share of the student's time and attention.

We, of this chapter, are at present especially interested in the "great national game," since Bro. Affeld is base-ball captain, and Bro. Werner, Hodgson, Gannon and Kinsley are candidates for the team. Bro. Affeld's task of turning out a winning team is by no means an easy one, since this seems to be one of those years, which come periodically in the experience of all college athletics, when the team is to be made up of entirely new material. But we feel confident, that Cornell will have this year the best base-ball team to be produced from the material placed at Bro. Affeld's disposal.

We have had to-day (April 30) the pleasure of entertaining three brothers from Vt. Beta Zeta, members of the University of Vermont base-ball team, and are glad to learn that the Fraternity's interests are being well cared for in that district.

It is with pleasure that we note the success of Bros. Barrett, Cotton and Moyer in being selected as members of the track team, which will represent Cornell in the contest with the University of Pennsylvania, May 9.

The number of candidates for the Freshman crew has been reduced from twenty-four to thirteen. Bro. Drake is still a candidate, having for the past few weeks stroked the crew, and we hope will finally be chosen to sit in the boat.

Since the last issue of the PALM we have added to our membership Bros. Cotton, Sawyer, and Kingsley, making at present an active roll of twenty-one.

Bro. Bishop Vincent occupied the University pulpit Sunday, April 26th. It was a great pleasure for us to have him at the Chapter House in the afternoon and we are already looking forward to meeting him next year.

Though it has seemed best to give up trying to build a new Chapter House this year, we have by no means given up working for a new house to be erected in the near future. As stated in the last PALM, we expect the present members of the chapter will have paid their subscriptions by Commencement, at the latest. Quite a few have already done so. We will then look to the alumni for the promised aid and have every reason to believe that we will get it. Let every alumnus of New York Beta Theta take notice that we mean business this time.

F. R. BUMP, Correspondent.

N. C. ALPHA DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF N. C., CHAPEL HILL.

Again we have the pleasure of sending our greetings of love to all Alpha Taudom and take this opportunity of exhorting our alumni not to lose interest in their chapter but continually to look after her interest and welfare.

Following our example at this seat of learning the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity has recently built a very handsome chapter house and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Zeta Psi fraternities expect to begin work on theirs in the near future. There is no doubt but that a chapter house is a glorious thing and each chapter ought surely to have one, if that is possible. Here we pay our taxes, insurance, etc., with the funds derived from the room rent and in this way keep up very well with expenses.

Besides owning a hall, we have three acres of the most desirable land in the ancient village of Chapel Hill, which is worth a good amount now. On the whole, we are in quite a prosperous condition and we only lack a few more brothers to share our joys and gather with us around our altar. It seems very hard to our pledged men that they are not allowed to gather with us every Friday night, but this cannot be until October of their "Soph" year, at which date our trustees allow us to initiate.

Still we are one in heart as we are with you all

LAWRENCE McRAE, Correspondent.

OHIO ALPHA PSI, WITTENBERG COLLEGE, SPRINGFIELD.

It is once again our pleasurable duty to greet our sister chapters through the PALM.

Alphi Psi can well congratulate herself upon what she has done since last she was heard from, for she has had the good fortune to pledge a man who was sought for by two of the three

other chapters located here. Our prospective brother has already taken a place well toward the front both in the class room and on the athletic field. Bro. Hildum, '97, was elected president of the college Y. M. C. A., and has already shown that he has eminent qualification for the place.

Bro. Thomas Phillips, who was with us but a short time, graduated recently from the Cincinnati College of Dentistry, receiving especial mention for good work done in Chemistry.

Bro. Z. Barney Phillips, '95, who was quite ill a short time ago, has entirely recovered. The chapter had the pleasure of a visit from Bro. Wallace Miller, O. Beta Eta, March 7, and at one of our meetings he gave us a brief account of fraternity life at O. W. U. We heartily extend an invitation to all the brothers who may be passing through Springfield to tarry with us. We can best appreciate what a splendid fraternity we are members of by coming into contact with brothers outside of our own chapter and thus we believe when brothers are near a chapter, they should by all means call upon that chapter. The base ball team is daily improving under Bro. Black's efficient leadership. The team will soon take a trip through Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Bro. Frank Baughman, '98, who was out of school for a short time, has again returned and taken up his duties.

Bro. Jno. E. Hummon, '97, our delegate to the state convention, reports a splendid time and speaks in highest terms of O. Beta Eta's abilities as an entertainer. We congratulate the brothers who had the pleasure of being present and regret that we were unable to be there.

Bro. Hildum, '97 and Hammaker, '98, were chosen by the Excelsior Literary Society as debators to hold up the honor of Excelsior.

Bro. E. S. Todd, '93, has been compelled to give up his studies at Yale on account of failure of his health. He traveled through the South and at one of our recent meetings gave us an account of his trip in a way such as only Brother Todd can. We are glad to have him in the city with us.

Bro. R. S. Pavens, '94, professor of mathematics at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa, also recently paid us a visit. The visits from these older brothers show us how wisely our founders here built when they initiated such men. The true, loyal spirit of Ato has possession of these brothers.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Bro. Albert Stough, '95, to one of the fair daughters of Grand Rapids, Mich. We wish them much joy and happiness.

The chapter is still looking for the state catalogue and wondering whether it is still alive or not.

Commencement draws near and ere we are aware another year of school life will be added to the happy year already past. Our chapter loses by graduation Bros. Hirsch, Smith and Schmitt and as this will probably be the last letter written by the present correspondent, we close with best wishes to all sister chapters and may the spirit of Alpha Tau Omega ever burn brightly in the hearts of all the brothers while life lasts. Yours fraternally,

GEORGE BOHON SCHMITT, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA MU, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER, WOOSTER.

This term we have lost four men, Brothers Elliott, McVicker, Kirtland and Funk. We feel the loss of these brothers very much, but with twenty-one brothers now in school we are amply able to hold our own. Our latest initiate is Bro. Harry W. Crist, '97, whom we take pleasure in presenting as a strong and worthy addition to Alpha Tau Omega.

During last term, the ninth annual Pan-Hellenic banquet was given at the Yoder, at which Bro. Wylie, '96, presided as Toastmaster, and Bro. H. G. Jones, '96, gave the "Auf Wiedersehen" toast. The affair was a thorough success in every particular, the toasts being all especially good; and it did much to create a better feeling between the fraternities here. There is a strong rivalry between the different chapters and feeling has at times run very high. On the same evening the young ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma held their annual Pan Hellenica party in Alpha Tau Omega Hall, and if we can believe what we hear, the "sisters" had fully as enjoyable a time as the "brothers."

During the past term we had the pleasure of a brief visit from Bro. H. M. Bush, N. Y. Beta Theta, who lent dignity to a reception given to our young lady friends. During the last term we had also a very enjoyable theatre party.

On the College Choristers the University co-ed. glee club, A. T. O. is represented by Bros. Paul Hickok and Huston. We will be represented on all the class teams this spring as well.

We have recently added to the furnishing of our hall and, with full paraphernalia, we have as complete and cozy chapter rooms as could be desired, and we would like all Alpha Tau's to know that the latch string is always cut.

During this term we have enjoyed visits from Bros. Shives, '82, O. P. Foust, '93, Kirtland, Funk and Frye, of Alpha Nu, and Bro. Hodzel, Beta Eta, who is taking a course in dentistry in Baltimore, is spending his vacation at his home here.

With best wishes for the PALM and to all Alpha Taus,
HOWARD D. PRITCHARD, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA RHO, MARIETTA COLLEGE, MARIETTA.

Beta Rho has very little to report outside of the regular routine of fraternity work. Being somewhat crippled in respect to number of men, we have had to be thankful for what victories we have won. One thing that we feel proud of is our standing on the base-ball team, as we have the captain, Bro. McKinney, who plays second base, and the short stop, Bro. A. D. Sloan, while the positions of left-field and third base are held by two of our pledged men. On Field Day we hope to be well represented, having the only tennis players in college who are worthy of mention. Bro. J. W. Crooks is on the editorial board of the *Mariettana*, a Junior annual and he and Bro. Sugden are on the college quartet. Last but not least, we are proud to say that we consider ourselves by far the most popular fraternity among the boys, as we have very few enemies. As this has been a somewhat uneventful term, I must close this short letter, wishing success to all our sister chapters.

EDW. B. FOLLETT, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA OMEGA, STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS.

With another college year drawing to a close, Ohio Beta Omega is glad to announce that she has enjoyed a prosperous year, which she hopes is universal through the Alpha Tau Omega world. We have sixteen men on our chapter roll, four of whom are seniors. The others all expect to return next year.

The O. S. U. Dramatic Club presented "David Garrick" at the Grand Opera House, May 8th. Bro. Walter T. Snyder had one of the leading roles. Members of the fraternity occupied a box decorated in white and gold.

Bro. Hugh S. Carr, '96, is playing his fourth consecutive year on the base ball team. Bro. Stanley H. McKee, '99, gives promise of making an enviable record in athletics. He is sub-infielder on the 'Varsity base ball team, and will make a good record on Field Day.

Twelve members of Beta Omega went over to Delaware April 25th, to witness the ball game between O. S. U. and O. W. U. The boys took the opportunity of renewing acquaintances with the Beta Eta chapter during their limited sojourn.

On Friday evening, April 3, Bro. Roy Hopkins, '99, of Mechanicsburg, O., and Bro. Ralph Adamson, '99, of Dayton, O., became members of Beta Omega chapter. After the installation an elegant banquet was served at the Schrader Hotel. There were present several brothers from neighboring chapters, and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

We have organized a fraternity base ball team and will play the Chi Phi Team, Saturday, May 16. A general challenge was issued to all the fraternities in the University, and as yet only one fraternity has accepted the challenge.

Bros. Gnme and Adamson will represent the fraternity in the tennis tournament which will be held soon.

W. B. KIRKPATRICK, Correspondent.

PA. ALPHA IOTA, MUHLENBERG, ALLENTOWN.

Since our last letter various events of interest have occurred in the chapter. On March 19th we enjoyed a short, but very pleasant, visit from our Worthy Grand Chief. We were all sorry we could not have him with us longer. On the evening of the same date, the chapter and the Alumni Association gave a very enjoyable "smoker" in the chapter rooms. Such family gatherings always bring about good results. The "*Ciarla*," our college annual for this year has brought much credit to the board of editors, of which Bros. Stine, Kuhl and Sykes were active members. Our new hall is, however, at present the all absorbing subject. During the Easter recess we moved from our old Hall over the post office to a suite of rooms in the Weightman building on Sixth and Hamilton streets. We are very well satisfied with our change, being, as we are now, in the very heart of the city, and the possessors of exceptionally cozy rooms. We also take great pleasure in the fact that our first meeting in our new quarters was the occasion of an initiation. We, therefore, introduce to the Alpha Tau world, Bro. Charles H. Bohner '99, who, we are confident, will be a brother worthy of the name. We are sorry we cannot give the college honors for this year; they will not be given out until four weeks from now, but we can say with confidence that Alpha Iota will secure her share. We lately enjoyed a visit from Bro. Franklin Menges, Ph. D., from Gettysburg, and Bro. Harry Spangler, M. D., from Carlisle. We invite all brothers who happen to come within our vicinity to give us a call.

With best wishes to the PALM and all Alpha Taus,

JERE J. SCHINDEL, Correspondent.

PENN. ALPHA UPSILON, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE, GETTYSBURG.

It is again my pleasant duty to write to the PALM. Since my last letter we have initiated two more gallant brothers, and I take pleasure in presenting to the Fraternity Bro. Charles B. Erb, '97, of Boyertown, Pa., and Bro. W. E. Wheeler, '97, of Baltimore, Md. We have now an active chapter of ten men. Our officers for the present term are Bro. E. L. Koller, W. M.; Bro.

J. A. McAllister, W. C.; Bro. C. H. Spayd, W. S.; Bro. W. H. Menges, W. K. E.; Bro. White Hutton, W. K. A.; and Bro. W. E. Wheeler, W. Sen.

Alpha Upsilon has been very prominent in college athletics. Bro. W. E. Wheeler has been elected manager of next year's football team and also manager of the relay team, which goes to the Meet held at the Univ. of Pennsylvania on April 25th. Bro. H. F. Grazier and Bro. C. B. Erb also hold positions on the team. We are all looking with a great deal of pleasure to our annual banquet to be held Commencement week, and, from the present indications, we will have quite a number of our Alumni Brothers with us.

With best wishes to the PALM and our sister chapters,
WHITE HUTTON, Correspondent.

R. I. GAMMA DELTA, BROWN UNIVERSITY, PROVIDENCE.

It is somewhat trite to remark that the age in which we live is one of rapid growth and progress; yet the truth of this is well exemplified in the rapid growth and extension of our institutions of learning. In the last few years this growth has been especially extensive and noticeable; the older colleges have increased in size and new ones have been established. A good concrete example of this truth may be seen in Brown, which, in the last six years, has increased from about 280 to 860 in attendance and whose faculty has grown from about twenty to eighty members.

This growth has certainly been phenomenal but no more so than has been the growth of our chapter. Although it is only about two years since the charter was granted, Gamma Delta has won a place in the foremost rank of the fraternities here.

Since our last letter, Bros. McComber, Coombs and O'Brien have been elected captains of the '96, '97 and '98 class Athletic Teams, respectively. At the Holy Cross games, held in Worcester, March 12th, Bro. McComber won the 1st prize in the high jump and Bro. O'Brien, 3rd place in the 40 yd. dash. At the St. Paul's Lyceum games, held in the same place on March 26th, Bro. McComber again won the high jump.

Bros. Walker and Fuller have been chosen to compete for the Carpenter prizes in declamation. Under "Good of the Order," we have started a paper consisting of literary articles, and editorials relating to college and fraternity life. We find it very helpful in developing the literary tastes and ability of our members, and in strengthening the chapter along fraternity lines.

JOHN H. DEMING, Correspondent.

TENN. ALPHA TAU, S. W. P. UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE.

In this last letter to the PALM for this college year we are glad to state that Alpha Tau chapter has made steady improvement during the whole year. We have initiated six good men altogether this year and one since our last letter to the PALM, Bro. Osborn C. Rhea, whom we now take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large.

We regret very much to note the loss of Bros. T. B. Wade and Ginder Abbott, two of our most enthusiastic brothers, since our last letter. Bro. Wade takes charge of his father's business at Pulaski, Tenn., and Bro. Abbott is in a bicycle house in New Orleans.

Our chapter was given a very nice reception a few weeks ago by Miss Edith Ely one of our most loyal sisters and one who is, in the truest sense of the word, an A. T. O.

We have recently had with us Bro. Leighton Green, of Russellville, Ark., and Bro. Bishop Holmes, of Sherman, Tex., both of whom are members of this chapter. Bro. Green was on his way home from Louisville Theological Seminary, where he has just finished. Bro. Holmes is in the insurance business. He is widely known throughout the fraternity as one of the founders of Gamma Epsilon chapter at Austin College.

Several of our brothers get through this year and will not be back with the chapter next year, but we count on having nine or ten good men back who expect to carry the chapter through another successful year of fraternity work. All our brothers are enthusiastic fraternity men and enthusiasm is one of the essential qualities, if not the most essential quality, in keeping up a live and working chapter.

We hope soon to see the Directory out. It will be a great aid in drawing the fraternity closer together.

We expect to be well represented at the State convention of the Tennessee chapters in Nashville on Vanderbilt Field Day, May 15.

HUGH S. CALDWELL, Correspondent.

TENN. BETA PI, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, NASHVILLE.

Since our last letter Bro. Douglass has resigned the position of Worthy Correspondent, and the undersigned was elected to fill the vacancy. Nothing else of particular interest has occurred in our chapter, except the expulsion of C. B. Huiet, for conduct unbecoming an Alpha Tau. We regret very much that this painful duty devolved upon us, but are glad that he was an affiliate and not one of Beta Pi's own boys.

A. T. O. is getting her share of the spring term honors in Vanderbilt, and will close the year with the best record in her history. In athletics Bros. Reese and Turner represent us on the "Varsity" nine; Bro. Werlein won the pole vaulting contest on Class Field day; and we have had several men in the gymnasium exhibitions and contests.

Bro. Werlein was chosen out of the four speakers to contest for the "Young Medal" for oratory Commencement week.

Bros. Welburn and Gardiner were elected by the faculty as managers respectively of the University book store and the West Side Messing Club, (the largest of the school) two of the most desirable positions in Vanderbilt.

In the class-room, Bros. Welburn and Werlein are leaders, and are already conceded as among the prize-winners of the year.

We take pleasure in chronicling the visits of Bro. Brown, of Tenn. Omega, and Bro. Green, of Tenn. Alpha Tau, brother of our W. G. K. A., and extend a most cordial invitation to them and to all visiting brothers, to pay us a call whenever possible.

The regular annual meeting of the Tenn. State Alumni will be held here on May 20th next, and Beta Pi invites all Alpha Taus, that can do so, to be present.

With usual greeting and good wishes to all, we are yours fraternally,

S. V. GARDINER, Correspondent.

TENN. OMEGA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH, SEWANEE.

Tenn. Omega reassembled this spring after her vacation during the winter months, fifteen strong. Several of the old faces were missing, but others were present which we had hardly hoped to see. Our first meeting was given up to reminiscences and it was late before we realized it. We had several accounts of how some of us had been entertained during the winter and of the wonderful deeds that had been performed.

At our next meeting, more serious work was taken up and, after the routine work, we found that three of the new students ceded our attention. The attention was given, and we now introduce to the general fraternity the following new brothers: Huger Wilkinson Jervey, of Charleston, S. C.; Overton Lea, Jr., and Luke Len, of Nashville, Tenn.

The initiation was highly successful and was fully enjoyed by the assembled brothers. After the initiation, the "babies" kissed and drank a toast to their welfare as A. T. O's. A banquet was then in order and was fully appreciated.

The chapter is in good condition, and is looking forward to a prosperous year.

WM. HENDERSON, JR., Correspondent.

TENN. LAMBDA, CUMBERLAND UNIV., LEBANON.

B. B. Alexander died at his home in Tray, Tenn., on Feb. 23rd, 1896. in the bloom of youth.

He entered Cumberland University Law School in September, 1895, and was a candidate for the degree of LL. B. in June following.

Bro. Alexander's death was very unexpected to Tennessee Lambda. He left us to spend the holidays with his father and mother in usually good health.

He left us never to return.

While at home once more living o'er again the dreams of happy childhood the angel Death conquered him, and his soul took its flight beyond the stars. He was a staunch A. T. O. and a worthy wearer of the "Maltese Cross."

J. J. MONTGOMERY, Correspondent.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to take from us for the first time, in the history of our Chapter, the soul of one of our most beloved brothers, B. B. Alexander; and whereas in his death we lose a most worthy member as well as an excellent student; and whereas it is our duty to bow in humble submission to the All-wise Creator, realizing that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord; therefore be it

RESOLVED—First, That we bow in humble submission to the Worthy Grand Master of the Universe.

Second, That while we deplore his death, we feel that every member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity has lost an affectionate and true brother.

Third. That we extend to the family our heartfelt sympathy and to his bereaved relatives our fraternal sorrow and point them to the Great Comforter of us all.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be tendered the family, a copy be sent to the PALM and that they be spread on our minutes.

For and in behalf of the Tennessee Lambda chapter,

JNO. J. MONTGOMERY,	} Comm.
CARL GILLELAND,	
E. J. HOBDY.	

TEXAS GAMMA EPSILON, AUSTIN COLLEGE, SHERMAN.

Texas Gamma Epsilon again sends greeting to her sister chapters and reports a steady and substantial growth. There

have been some dark clouds upon our horizon for the past month but we hope that they will be dissipated before we write our next letter. While we have had some troubles, still we have had many pleasures. A company of true brothers with their loyal sisters assembled at the chapter house on the evening of March 12, to celebrate the first anniversary of the Chapter's organization. A general good time was enjoyed by all present. During the evening the following toasts were responded to:

Welcome.....Bro. Wm. A. Vinson, Toastmaster.
 That First Night.....Bro. Gates Thomas.
 The Alpha Tau Sisters.....Bro. R. Ernest Vinson.
 The Alpha Tau.....Bro. S. E. Chandler.
 The Lucky Thirteen.....Bro. Leslie Maxey.
 This Last Night.....Bro. Harry Knox.

Since our last report we have initiated Bro. Leslie Maxay '97, Sherman, Tex., and Bro. William R. Wilson, '99, Dallas, Tex. We take great pleasure in commending these brothers to your love and fellowship. With sincere love and fraternal greetings to our sister chapters,

WM. A. VINSON, Correspondent.

VT, BETA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON.

As time goes on divers letters of uniform style must be written to the PALM, said letters to contain chapter news, local intelligence and personal gags *ad lib*. The time for another letter has reached us, nay more, is four days past the meridian as the present incumbent takes up his fountain pen to dispatch a dew drop of epistolary art to the editor of the PALM.

We of Beta Zeta are peacefully wobbling along in our own grooves, working, eating and sleeping as usual. Last week occurred the annual base ball minstrel show benefit, in which Bro. Blake was musical director while several of the brothers were in the chorus.

Our ball team starts away upon its first trip soon and takes from our chapter three men, which is more than any other frat. here can say.

At the recent banquet of the sophomore class in Montreal, Bro. Taft held down the position of toastmaster satisfactorily.

Bro. Emery, '99, who has been sick at his home for some time has returned to college.

Beta Zeta held her 9th anniversary celebration on Tuesday, May 5th, at Coon's Café, where full justice was done to a substantial repast and a short musical program was carried out.

From the meeting of the New England convention at Boston

recently, Bros. Blake and Allen, our delegates, brought glowing accounts of fraternity enthusiasm and several empty bottles.

With best wishes for Alpha Tau.

R. M. TAFT, Correspondent.

VA. BETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY, LEXINGTON.

Never before in the history of our Chapter have her prospects seemed so bright. Beginning the session with only three men returned, we were seriously handicapped but resolved to do our utmost to place Va. Beta on the plane she should occupy at Washington and Lee University. Sadly we missed the presence and guiding hand of Bro. W. A. Bell, an affiliate from La Beta Epsilon, who has been associated with us for the past five years. His place was soon taken, however, by Bro. R. O. Cochran, of Ga. Alpha Theta, who bids fair to be a worthy successor to Bro. Bell. Our first initiates were S. G. Hamner, of Lynchburg, Va., and W. H. Garnett, of Locust Dale, Va. and as we had now reached the fatal six, a number above which it has seemed impossible to rise, we came to a pause, but only for a short time. Our next initiates were C. H. Burke, of Ironaton, Ala.; H. S. Dixon, of Ronceverte, W. Va.; and J. S. Kuykendall, of Romney, W. Va.; and now, with a chapter of nine men, we have no fears for the future and look back with pride upon our year's work and predict for the *new* Va. Beta a future bright as her past has been honorable. She is now the oldest living chapter of Alpha Tau Omega, and her present prosperity will be appreciated by the fraternity at large.

We heartily agree with Bro. Pugh as to the time of holding Congress, and believe if it is changed to July it will be a much greater success, both numerically and as regards the interest manifested. Those who were fortunate enough to be in Washington at the last Congress will look forward with pleasure to its next meeting, a pleasure which will be increased if the time is changed.

C. C. TUTWILER, Correspondent.

CLIPPINGS.

A WORLD'S FAIR ARTICLE.

IT is rather late to clip an article about the World's Fair, and what follows has gone the rounds of the fraternity press. It is simply given as an example of modern journalistic methods in college magazines. It has that racy, gossipy character, so popular with a certain class of newspaper readers. It originally appeared in the *Phi Delta Theta Scroll*:

"For some time I have contemplated writing an account entitled, 'The Fraternity Exhibit at the World's Fair,'—the fraternity men as I saw them there. There were Dekes in ill-fitting Prince Alberts and white lawn ties, Psi U's in high-water pantaloons, and Phi Psis, Phi Gams, Phi Delts, Delta Taus, Sigs and Alpha Tau Omegas dressed in the height of style. I compared notes with a Delta Tau and a Phi Delt who were at the Fair from the beginning to the end, and a Phi Gam who was there most of the time, and we were a unit in the following opinions. The western fraternity men were as good looking, as well dressed as any of the eastern fraternity men, and better looking than any of the "big three"—Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Alpha Delta Phi. The nicest looking of the eastern men were the Zeta Psis; the poorest, the Dekes. Few Sigma Phis, Kappa Alphas, Delta Phis, and Delta Psis were seen, but all observed were of uniform excellence. Because we saw a great many ordinary Dekes does not prove that society to be ordinary all the way through, but ordinary men are in it, a great many of them, or they would not have been the rule as we happened to see them. The two handsomest girls I saw at the Fair, lovely creatures whom I devoutly wish had worn the Sword and Shield, wore Delta Kappa Epsilon pins; but soon after seeing them I was regaled by sitting opposite a joyous young Deke in the French bakery who ate voraciously and loudly with his knife."

BRO. MEMMINGER, OF TENN. OMEGA, AS AN ACTOR.

Mr. W. W. Memminger returned to Charleston yesterday from New York on a visit to relatives. Mr. Memminger is a pupil of the Sargent school of acting, pursuing his training for entrance to the stage. That success will follow him in his profession can in no measure be doubted from the exhibition of talent he has already made, and the many complimentary notices given him.

Mr. Memminger has acted in New York with some of Daly's companies, and also in the cast with Miss Olga Nethersole and recently in Nashville, Tenn., and Louisville Ky.; he has made a splendid reputation acting with the Sewanee Dramatic Club.

All of his friends look for a brilliant career for him on the stage, and Charleston will be ready to greet him when he makes his appearance here. *Charleston (S. C.) Evening Post.*

BRO. ANDREWS SUCCEEDS AT ATHENS.

The following letter from Miss Nellie Marie Reed, of the American School, at Athens, Greece, details a noteworthy exploit of Bro. Eugene P. Andrews, of N. Y. Beta Theta, at that ancient, classical city.

"Mr. Andrews, C. U., '95, has just finished a piece of work that not only reflects the greatest credit upon himself, but is a distinct gain to the whole archæological world. He has succeeded in making out the inscription on the architrave of the east front of the Parthenon, up to this time an unsolved problem. One must be on the spot to realize the courage, physical exertion and hard study required and to appreciate the brilliancy with which the work has been executed. The only thing there has been to work from is the seemingly erratic and unintelligible series of nail-holes between the places where shields were fastened just below the triglyphs and metopes, these holes being the places where the bronze letters of an inscription had been attached. Nothing definite has been known of these shields nor of the inscription that evidently accompanied them.

The plan followed was to get a rope over the architrave by means of a string thrown over with a stone. By an ingenious arrangement of ropes and pulleys Mr. Andrews pulled himself up to the level of the inscription and proceeded to take paper impressions, or squeezes of the hole, not only to get their relative positions but also their shapes, by using paper pulp to make tiny casts of each individual hole. This was difficult and a rope ladder was found to be much more convenient, but by no means easy, as several testified who were more than satisfied by one ascent to the lofty heights of the Parthenon. The interpretation of these squeezes has likewise just been successfully completed and what has for so long been a mystery is now clear, and from the very picture given by Mr. Penrose in his discussion of the subject to prove the impossibility of a reading, the words of the inscription can now be spelled out. The results of this investigation are to be given at an open meeting of the American school, to be followed by a more complete discussion; for in addition to

the inscription itself the work has revealed a series of ornamentations of the architrave of the temple at various periods.

"Mr. Andrews on the track at Percy Field and Mr. Andrews on the top of the Parthenon in a white sweater adorned with a red C, may not be very different; but considering the forty foot elevation of the latter with broken and apparently shaky projecting blocks of stone above and some very hard marble steps beneath, the casual observer might prefer the former. However the thing has been brought to an end with no broken bones and much glory."—*Cornell Daily Sun*.

COMPLIMENTARY TO BROTHER WREN.

Referring to the work of Bro. Wren, of Mass. Gamma Beta, who is an instructor in Tufts College, the President's Report for 1896 contains the following:

"Secondly the Professor calls especial attention to the very valuable service the College is getting from Mr. Wren. He assumed his duties at so youthful an age, that there were some misgivings as to his success with students, many of whom are his equals in age. He brought to his work not only acquirements in Mathematics that had been equaled by none of his predecessors in the office of instructor, but a mind gifted in mathematical talent. Besides, he is endowed with the requisites of a teacher in an eminent degree, having unfailing patience and a desire to give to any student of his time as long as that student has a desire to learn. In all this he gives the highest promise to become a very strong teacher of Mathematics."

TRUE DATE OF KAPPA SIGMA'S FOUNDING.

"So far as Kappa Sigma is concerned, it may be said that there has been some nonsense connected with the claim of any Middle-Age date as the time of formation, resulting from brothers who, in the early days of our fraternity, were more zealous than wise.—On the other hand, it is not merely an alleged but an absolute fact that our traditions, etc., resulted from material pertaining to an old European order which was found by the men who established the Kappa Sigma fraternity. At a proper time the Greek world will be told that Kappa Sigma is American, her date of foundation 1867, and her history a history of progress by young American manhood, and also what and how much relation those European traditions have to do with the Kappa Sigma of 1895."—*Caduceus of Kappa Sigma*.

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON WITHDRAWAL.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has withdrawn from Cornell and Gettysburg. The fraternity was rapidly falling into disrepute at the

former place, doubtless occasioned by the Hebrew element in the chapter there. Sigma Alpha Epsilon transfers from the far South would not affiliate with their Ithaca brethren, and the Fraternity, through such examples of uncongeniality, we presume was impressed with the fact that their Cornell chapter was unworthy of them. The Gettysburg chapter was unfortunate in getting men to join them. Sigma Alpha Epsilon did a wise thing in both cases, but she ought to have known before she entered Gettysburg that the college could not accommodate any more fraternities.—*Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

PSI UPSILON AT WISCONSIN UNIVERSITY.

Under the caption of "Psi Upsilon enters Wisconsin," the *Chicago Evening Post*, of March 28, has the following interesting statement of the history of the affair:

"The old and well-established college Greek letter society of Psi Upsilon will enter to-night the University of Wisconsin, and plant its name on the doorplate of the neat little Rho Kappa Upsilon House, on the banks of fair lake Mendota, at Madison, Wis.

This movement of Psi Upsilon is noted with marked interest on the part of the members of Greek letter fraternities at large, for nowhere in the long history of the societies has a like movement been tolerated, even considered. It is the most conspicuous piece of Hellenic discourteousness, to say nothing of dishonesty. The history of the development of this new chapter is in brief as follows: Among the fraternities long established at the University of Wisconsin, no society had for years held the enviable position of Phi Kappa Psi. It was counted as one of the strongest chapters of that fraternity. In the winter of 1892-93 the Phi chapter of Psi Upsilon, University of Michigan, learning that the love for the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity was weakening in the Wisconsin chapter, and being aware of its excellence as a chapter, invited negotiations and correspondence, with a view of placing this chapter under the banner roll of Psi Upsilon.

To further this end Albert P. Jacobs, Michigan, '73, visited the Wisconsin chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, and in March, 1893, succeeded in effecting a dissension. The chapter renounced its affiliation with the Phi Kappa Psi, and to its head magistrates sent its charter. Then, with the assistance of Mr. Jacobs, the local society of Rho Kappa Epsilon was founded, and a petition to Psi Upsilon drawn up, which Mr. Jacobs presented to the national convention of Psi Upsilon in May, 1893, which was held with Dartmouth college. Ever since that time the petition has been before the fraternity and the petitioners living as a local society.

Several years ago when the Delta Kappa Epsilon society "lifted" the Beta Theta Pi chapter at Western Reserve University, and later also lifted the Phi Delta Theta chapter at the University of Minnesota, Psi Upsilon was noisy indeed in denouncing the outrage and avoidance of Hellenic courtesy in such unwarranted desertions. In this outcry and protest all Greek letter fraternities most heartily joined. But however bad that was, it was a creditable move in comparison to the step just taken by Psi Upsilon. In both instances cited with Delta Kappa Epsilon, the chapters withdrew from their respective fraternities simply because they felt their relation with them was no longer congenial, and feeling that they would prefer to live local than be identified with them. After establishing as a local society they both honorably petitioned Delta Kappa Epsilon and received their charters in an honorable manner. They sought; Delta Kappa Epsilon did not seek them. At Madison it is quite the contrary. The Psi Upsilon fraternity invaded the ranks of Phi Kappa Psi at a weak point, and without consideration of fraternity or inter-fraternity honor or anything else, effected a desertion in one fraternity for an accession in theirs. This Mr. Jacobs, himself, admits in a communication he requested to be published a short time ago in the *Detroit Tribune*, in answer to a statement made in that paper that the Rho Kappa Upsilon fraternity first petitioned Delta Kappa Epsilon. He said:

"Your paper of September 14th says under the heading: 'Psi Upsilon to Enter Wisconsin,' that 'the petitioners are members of a local society known as Rho Kappa Upsilon, formerly a chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, but which surrendered its charter to apply for recognition from Delta Kappa Epsilon. Being refused by them, Zeta Psi was unsuccessfully petitioned, and now Psi Upsilon has been petitioned with favorable results.' Now, the truth is that neither Delta Kappa Epsilon nor Zeta Psi has been asked for a charter by the Rho Kappa Upsilon. Being a member of Psi Upsilon, I was consulted by the Phi Kappa Psi men of the University of Wisconsin in regard to obtaining a Psi Upsilon charter. I advised and helped the formation of Rho Kappa Upsilon in March, 1893, having already in my hands the petition of the members, which I had helped to draw up. That petition I presented to the national convention of Psi Upsilon at Dartmouth college in May, 1893, and it has been before the fraternity ever since, nor have the petitioners or myself any reason to doubt that it will be granted in due time."

It is to be regretted that a fraternity of such high standard as Psi Upsilon should lower itself to such dishonorable means of

extension. The inconsistency of statements made by that fraternity can hardly be accounted for. Since October last the Lambda Chapter, Columbia College, along with the chief executive officer of the Psi Upsilon fraternity, made pledge statements to the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity that they did not approve of the action certain of their men and chapters had made, and that they would not vote for the establishment of a charter over the deserters of the Phi Kappa Psi men at Madison, without which votes, according to the constitution of Psi Upsilon, the charter could not be granted. As the charter is now granted, it would seem that the Phi Psi men deserve an explanation on the part of Lambda Chapter and the chief executive men of Psi Upsilon to sustain them in the minds of all Phi Psis as men of integrity.

Among the men most active in promoting Rho Kappa Upsilon's interests for Psi Upsilon is President Charles Kendall Adams, president of the University of Wisconsin, who himself deserted Beta Theta Pi, several years ago, for Psi Upsilon.

Under any other circumstances the fraternities at the University of Wisconsin would be hearty in their reception to Psi Upsilon among their number. As it now is the new chapter starts out in its career under very adverse circumstances. Among the fraternities at Madison are Chi Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Delta Tau Delta, Theta Delta Chi and others.

The affair seems to be causing quite as much worry to Psi Upsilon as it has disapproval from the fraternity world. We are informed from Chicago that under date of March 30th, the Psi Upsilon fraternity, through its president, advised Mr. Walter S. Holden, the secretary of Phi Kappa Psi, that the charter of Psi Upsilon was not granted Rho Kappa Upsilon by the general fraternity at all, but by the Chicago Psi Upsilon alumni association, which has taken matters into its own hands and acted without regard to the action of the chapters of the general fraternity on the question. These same alumni recently installed the Chicago University Chapter of Psi Upsilon without legal authority. Our correspondent adds, "and both new chapters are under protest from the general fraternity, and many of the Chicago alumni have taken issue with the Chicago alumni chapter, and feel that honor and decency have been outraged."

The Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* for March has taken up the question as to whether the Rho Kappa Upsilon had not first been suitors for admission to that fraternity before petitioning Psi Upsilon, and reproduces a letter from the Chicago *Tribune* of

November 24th, from W. H. Hovis, from which the following is an excerpt:

"If Psi Upsilon thus violates inter-fraternity comity it must do it with the full knowledge that the college world knows two other societies refused to do in this case. The Zeta Psi Fraternity is interested in this matter, for the local society published in a Wisconsin paper a statement conveying the impression that a Zeta Psi charter had been offered them. The Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is similarly interested, for the local men have stated they could become a chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon at any time. In behalf of all these societies the following statement can be made:

In October, 1892, a member of the Wisconsin Phi Kappa Psi wrote to an Amherst Delta Kappa Epsilon, asking him if the Wisconsin men could gain admission to Delta Kappa Epsilon if they resigned from Phi Kappa Psi. The matter was brought before the chapter and the Wisconsin men were informed the Amherst Dekes would vote against the admission of men who were or ever had been members of another fraternity. The matter went before the whole Fraternity, however, in the shape of a petition, which was denied. After this a delegate was sent to confer with members of Psi Upsilon. The chapter was instructed to resign from Phi Kappa Psi and become a local, preliminary to membership in Psi Upsilon. In May a petition was presented before the Psi Upsilon Convention at Dartmouth and not acted upon. Mr. Jacobs, who has had charge of the case, was full of encouragement, however. Nevertheless, the local men had come to the conclusion Zeta Psi would do just as well as Psi Upsilon, especially as they would have to wait a year for the latter, so a petition was sent to Zeta Psi. It did not even receive the notice of a vote in the convention, although that body did not know of the petitioners' previous attempts at Delta Kappa Epsilon and Psi Upsilon.

The honor of three college fraternities is involved in this matter and the college world should be in possession of the facts. No one can say that Psi Upsilon has as yet involved itself at all. Its connection with the matter has so far been through unauthorized individual members. Some of the latter have gone so far as to say the charter will be granted, but until it does, Phi Kappa Psi has no quarrel with Psi Upsilon and Zeta Psi, and Delta Kappa Epsilon will have nothing but the comfortable feeling that Psi Upsilon is taking what they did not desire, if, indeed, it does take it.

Until Psi Upsilon had received the petitioners into her ranks, Phi Kappa Psi had no cause of action against that order, but now that the Psi Upsilon fraternity has formally recognized the recalcitrant ones, Phi Kappa Psi has formally declared war in the following terms adopted at the last Grand Arch Council, held in Cleveland, on April 8th to 10th.

WHEREAS, "The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity in grand arch council duly assembled has learned of the absorption of the local society known as the Rho Kappa Upsilon society of the University of Wisconsin, by the Psi Upsilon fraternity, on the twenty-seventh day of March, 1896, and

"WHEREAS, The said local society was the immediate successor of a former chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, all of the active members of which

had been, on the fifteenth day of July, 1893, expelled from our fraternity for conduct unbecoming men and treasonable in the highest degree, and

WHEREAS, In our judgment the organization of the Rho Kappa Upsilon society by the attempted irregular withdrawal of members from the Wisconsin Alpha chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity was the result of a conspiracy between members of the Psi Upsilon fraternity and the Wisconsin Alpha chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, and

WHEREAS, Such a conspiracy is an act of a character which has always been deemed unworthy of any reputable Greek letter fraternity and thus injurious to the reputation and standing of inter-collegiate fraternities in the estimation of the public and college world, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity in grand arch council assembled that it hereby denounces as utterly contemptible the conduct of the Psi Upsilon fraternity in their conspiracy, and earnestly calls the attention of the college and fraternity world to the same and to the fact that it would now appear to be part of the approved policy of the Psi Upsilon fraternity to carry on illegitimate warfare of this character, and be it further

Resolved, That we recommend that in all future inter-fraternal intercourse the treatment to be recorded the Psi Upsilon fraternity should be such as its deliberate conduct and avowed policy deserve."

The resolutions were greeted with prolonged applause and adopted without a dissenting vote.—*Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

SOME GOOD SUGGESTIONS TO CHAPTERS.

We can suggest three severe but salutary rules which, if rigidly enforced, will remove the thorn in the flesh to which Beta Nu refers in her chapter letter.

1. Fix upon a date when the chapter dues are to be paid. If they are not paid at that time let the treasurer read the names of delinquents at every chapter meeting until they are paid. If this is not effective, a small fine added to the dues for each week of delay will often work wonders.

2. Never order anything unless you have the money on hand to pay for it and do not give any entertainment that you can not afford. Even if every other chapter in your college does it, it is much better for you to be considered inhospitable than to be conscious of being in debt.

3. Always have a margin of a few dollars in your treasury, so that you may buy an umbrella when the chapter has a rainy day.

If these rules work as well as the famous rules for gardening of which the first two are, "Don't plant too early" and "Don't plant too late," we shall be satisfied.—*Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma*.

BRO. E. W. LEDBETTER HONORED.

The Rome (Ga.) *Tribune* of Jan. 16th last presents the portrait and the following very complimentary notice of Bro. E. W.

Ledbetter, our enterprising Southern brother, who represented Ala. Beta Beta at the Washington Congress and who is winning a splendid reputation as a public spirited and able citizen;

“Piedmont is one of the most complete little cities in the South. It has a good water supply and an electric plant that lights the city well and it has a splendid government.

“Mr. E. W. Ledbetter, the recently elected mayor of Piedmont, is a young man of sterling character and excellent business qualities. He is the son of J. M. Ledbetter and was born Oct. 31, 1868. He was educated in the best schools of Alabama and entered business early, gaining honor and positions of trust at once.

“He has served his town in several important capacities. Always earnest and enterprising he is always to be found working in the front ranks in any improvement and enterprise of his town.

“He served as councilman until he was elected mayor about a month ago. This was a most proper choice. A more enterprising and zealous young man with more business ability could not have been chosen as chief executive of this coming town. He is at present cashier of the bank of Piedmont and secretary and treasury of the Piedmont Oil Mills. He is assisted in his municipal duties by a corps of Piedmont's most able and enterprising citizens as a board of councilmen.”

BRO. ROSS (OF TENN. OMEGA) HONORED.

The Tennessee State Board of Health is to be congratulated on the latest addition to their number, Dr. John W. Ross, of Clarksville, who became a member last January, and who was assigned to the important special duty of looking after school hygiene, says the Nashville American. Dr. Ross is a retired surgeon of the United States navy, and a Tennessean by birth, and his connection with the State board is fortunate for that body. He graduated from the medical department of the University of Louisiana in 1868, and has since attended full courses at the College of Physicians and surgeons, New York, and at Bellvue Hospital Medical College, the former in 1873-4 the latter in 1882-5. He is a graduate of the University of Lima, Peru, having passed his examinations there in Spanish, in 1884. He speaks French, German and Spanish and formerly spoke Italian and Portugues, but says he has almost forgotten much of the latter two languages.

He has in different years studied in Paris and Vienna, at the former place surgery and opthalmology under Varneuil, Richet and Galezowski, and the latter place surgery under Billroth, and obstetric surgery under Karl Braun and Chrobak. Dr. Ross was

associated with the State Board of Health in 1879, during the yellow fever epidemic of that year, and rendered such distinguished services at Memphis that the State Board sent him a dispatch at the end of his work speaking in high terms of their appreciation of his executive ability and scientific work. Last year he taught obstetric and clinical surgery at the University of the South, at Sewanee, and is now professor of obstetrics in the same institution.

Regarding the services of Dr. Ross in the navy, the best evidence is the following extract from the *Army and Navy Journal* of June 9, 1894, on the occasion of his retirement from active service:

"Surgeon Ross was one of the best of our number, one of the last we could afford to lose. His active career of twenty-four years in the navy has been one of exceptional professional ability and exemplary devotion to duty. Wherever he served afloat or ashore, he has won admiration and sincere recognition for his gentle, unselfish and manly qualities. In the summer of 1878, when on leave of absence after returning from a cruise at sea, he volunteered his service in response to an appeal for medical aid from the city of Holly Springs, Miss., then suffering from a severe epidemic of yellow fever; and although he contracted the fever himself and narrowly escaped with his life, he resumed his labors as soon as returning strength permitted, continuing at his self-appointed post of duty until the epidemic was over. In the following year he again volunteered, and was sent to Memphis, Tenn., as representative of the National Board of Health, which in its report of that epidemic of yellow fever, speaks words of highest praise of his services, which were also recognized and rewarded by the president of the United States, who, with the approval of the senate, promoted Dr. Ross in accordance with section 1506, Revised Statutes, for extraordinary heroism."—*Clarks-ville Semi-Weekly Times*.

DISPENSATION CHAPTERS.

S. A. E. now maintains dispensation chapters after a similar custom practiced for years by Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta. These are probationary bodies initiated by and under the supervision of a neighboring chapter and have no votes in conventions except through their mother chapter. Such a chapter exists at Central College, Mo., under the espousage of the University of Missouri branch. This fraternity's chapter list has recently been reduced to fifty-three by the deaths of the Cornell and Pennsylvania College chapters. The first of these simply deceased while second was withdrawn on account of the inferior nature of its membership.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

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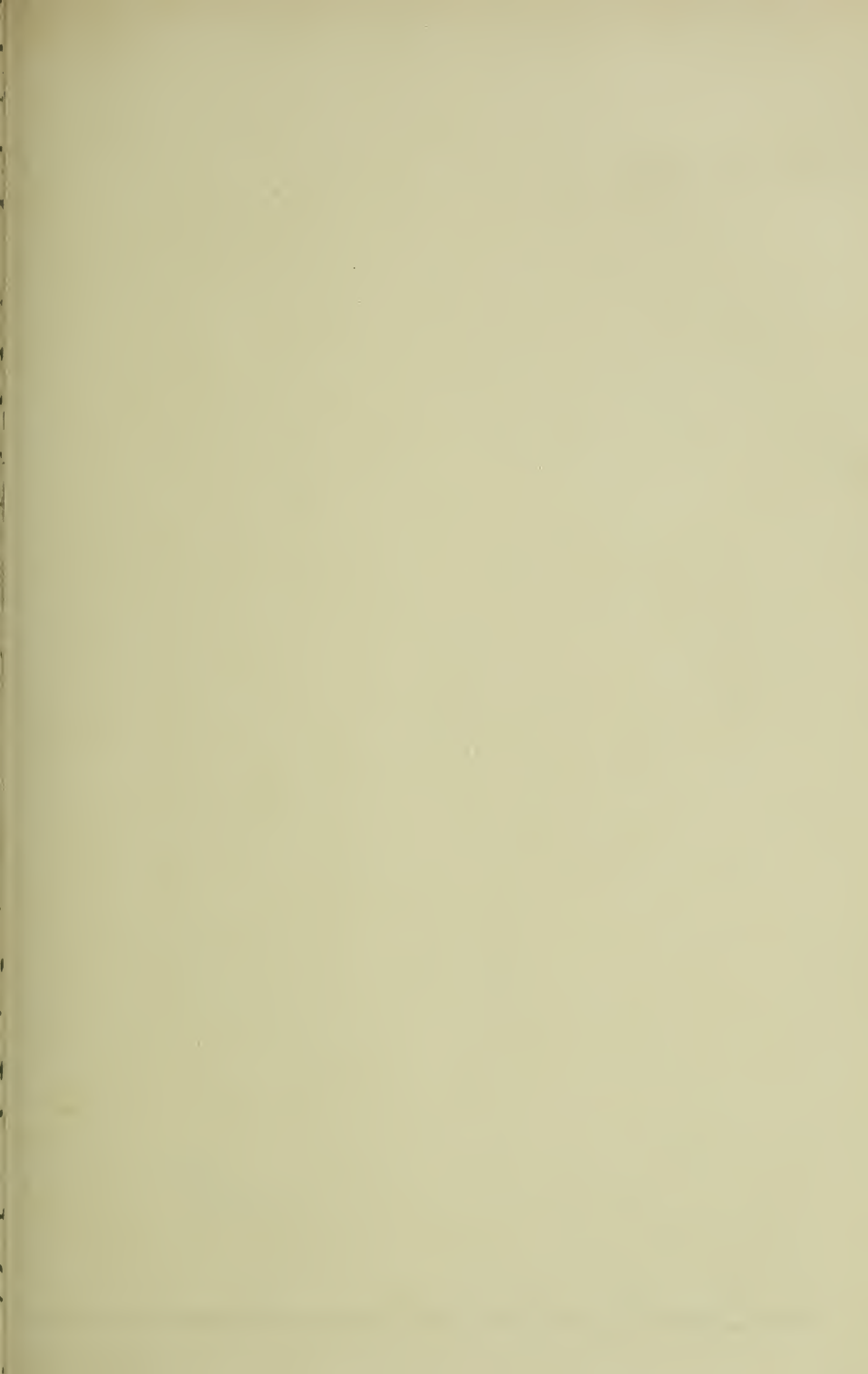
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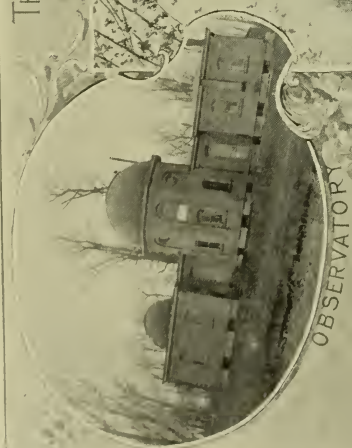
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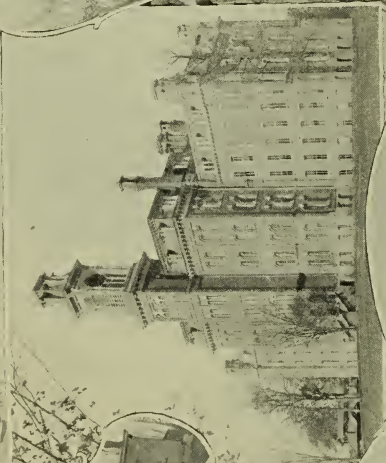
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A LITTLE over twenty-six years ago the University of Wooster came into existence among the colleges of Ohio. It began under very favorable circumstances, having quite a good endowment at the start. Wooster is under the control of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Ohio. During the comparatively few years of her life, she has sent out into the world hundreds of loyal sons and daughters, many of them alumni, to raise the standard of education and to reflect honor on their Alma Mater. Wooster has sent out a great many into the Foreign Missionary field, and her representation among the professional men is far beyond what her age would seem to demand.

Wooster is in the Northeastern portion of Ohio, just fifty miles south of Cleveland. The climate is comparatively mild, neither the extremes of heat or cold being felt.

The scenery is beautiful. The buildings of the University are situated, mostly, on the summit of one of the high hills of this region, facing the beautiful city of Wooster, spread out at her feet. And away beyond the town the hills again raise themselves, bringing the country and fields for miles around in full view of the college.

In all there are seven buildings in connection with the University; the main building, Observatory, Gymnasium, Hoover Cottage, a dormitory for young ladies, Music Hall and the Westminster and Livingstone Homes, two buildings for the accommodation of the sons and daughters of Foreign Missionaries. Hoover Cottage is but recently completed and is a very attractive

and decidedly home like building, situated on the Campus. It was named in honor of F. E. Hoover of Sandusky, Ohio, one of the principal contributors to its erection, now deceased.

The time-honored and memory enriching ceremonies that are most customary among American colleges are observed here. Among the most interesting of these is the smoking of the "Pipe of Peace" between the Seniors and Juniors on the Thursday evening preceding Commencement week. After the Senior Promenade, the programme and refreshments, all go out into the centre of the big foot-ball field, and just as the town clock strikes the midnight hour, the immense bonfire is lighted. Around it are gathered the Seniors and Juniors and invited guests. Each one has previously been presented with a pipe ornamented with the colors of the two classes, and presently all commence to smoke. The big pipe, now almost covered by the colors of the old classes is now handed by the "Senior Orator" to the Junior Class to preserve for a year and then pass it on to the next class. And there, on the very field where have raged the fiercest athletic battles, and storms of class feeling, all is now smoothed over and forgiven, the "Pipe of Peace" smoked and the Seniors step out as alumni, leaving none but friends behind.

Until a few years ago Wooster was very prominent in inter-collegiate athletics, and at the the time that the Synod of Ohio forbade any further participation in Inter-Collegiate sports by Wooster, she held the state championship in base-ball. So now all our athletic spirit is devoted to class tournament, etc. In all Wooster athletics, Ohio Beta Mu is well represented, there not being a class team, either base ball or foot ball, in which there is not one or more wearers of the Maltese Cross.

On the night of Dec. 20, 1888, Ohio Beta Mu Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity was ushered into the Greek world of Wooster. There were eight charter members: Prof. J. C. Boyd, Rev. F. C. Colvin, Prof. C. C. McMichael, D. H. Morgan, Prof. Virgil Ryder, Rev. S. L. Shirley, Prof. M. S. Walker and Dr. A. F. Young.

These were initiated into our sacred order in a third story room of the Zimmerman Drug store block. The ceremonies were

conducted by Prof. E. J. Shives, Ohio Alpha Psi, at that time the worthy Grand Chief, and Bro. H. H. Cully, Ohio Alpha Mu.

Beta Mu found in the field as rivals Beta Theta Pi, instituted 1872; Phi Delta Theta, 1875; Delta Tau Delta, 1880, and Phi Gamma Delta, 1882. There have been chapters of Phi Kappa Psi, 1871, and of Sigma Chi, 1873, here but both are now extinct. There are chapters of two sororities in Wooster, Kappa Alpha Theta, 1875, and Kappa Kappa Gamma, 1876.

There are also chapters of two Inter-Fraternity organizations here; Theta Nu Epsilon, established in 1891 and Beta Delta Beta, in 1896.

During the remainder of the year after Beta Mu was instituted she had no regular place of meeting, but held occasional meetings in the brothers' rooms and in Royal Arcanum Hall. Two men were initiated: Bro. H. F. Allison in January, and Bro. C. W. Cookson, in February, 1889. Thus Beta Mu completed her first year with ten men. The chapter was considerably weakened in the fall by the failure to return of some of the men and by graduation, but during the first term four splendid men were initiated. From this time on Alpha Tau ranked right along with the older established chapters. The banner of A. T. O. has proudly floated ever since. But once Beta Mu was called upon to pass through a pretty strong test. In '93 five men were graduated, and the fall, a number of others not returning, found only three men on the field, Bros. C. B. Kenty, H. G. Jones and S. L. McManigal. The chapter was in debt and everything seemed to point to the death of Beta Mu. It was generally considered that the chapter's life had been lived. But, thanks and honor be to the efforts of these three noble men, the chapter was built up again. Of course it was slow work, for, rather than take in inferior men, the charter would have been given up. Since her organization, Beta Mu has initiated sixty-seven men. Twenty-five of these have been graduated, and seventeen will be back in the fall to begin active work.

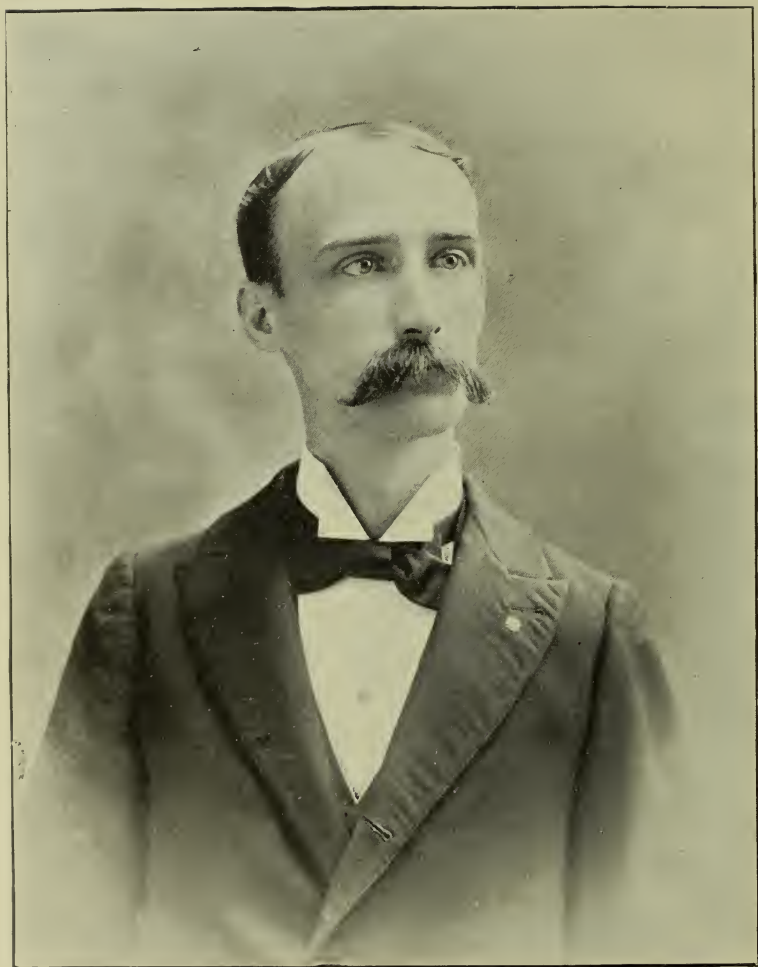
Only once has the Grim Reaper entered our ranks and that in 1893. Bro. Jesse Irvin Stahl was initiated into sacred mysteries of Alpha Tau Omega Nov. 2, 1889. After over three and a half

years' life as a loyal Alpha Tau, he was called to enter that Heavenly Temple of Friendship and he was ready to go. He was one of the Columbian Guards at the World's Fair and while on duty was taken ill. For some time he lingered in St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, and died July 9, 1893.

Beta Mu strives to maintain a high standard of manhood. She does not endeavor to have all athletics, or all society lights, or all class room notorieties, but to combine high class room standing, physical ability, moral uprightness and social qualities in every man. We realize that it is the all around man, the one who goes out well equipped into the world, that will reflect honor on the chapter in after years.

And so we see Beta Mu, not following, but leading in the strife toward the ideal fraternity, and the true Greek's life in the University of Wooster. And it thrills our very hearts when we remember that we are not members merely of a chapter but of a National Fraternity, and that fraternity is Alpha Tau Omega. And it will always be our endeavor to live as worthy members of that noble order beneath whose banner we are proud to stand, and to ever bring nothing but honor and glory to the dear old Maltese Cross.

PAUL R. HICKOK.



JAMES E. GREEN, W. G. K. A.

OUR W. G. K. A.

JAMES Edward Green is a Southerner by birth, having first seen the light of day at Hartsville, Darlington County South Carolina on May 5th, 1868. He is of Scotch-Irish and French-Huguenot ancestry, his father's name being John Francis Green and his mother's maiden name, Jane Law.

At the age of four his family removed from Darlington Co. to Hempstead County, Arkansas, where the early years of his life were spent. His father had been for a number of years a teacher and he personally directed the early education of Bro. Green. In 1881, the family removed to Little Rock, Ark., and there the subject of this sketch spent several years in the public schools. At the early age of fifteen, he left the parental roof to battle for himself in the struggle of life. He first accepted a clerkship in a large general merchandise establishment, and remained in this employment until about nineteen years old, when he was employed in the retail drug business, where his industry and intelligence soon advanced him to the position of prescription clerk, and later general manager of the business.

Bro. Green is a type of the ambitious, struggling youth of the South, who are never embarrassed by too great wealth, and who have to win their way for themselves. He was from the first an earnest student, and determined to have a good education. Not finding sufficient opportunity for study in the course of his employment in the retail drug business he resigned and became connected with a wholesale drug establishment in Little Rock. He read medicine when he had time, devoting his evenings assiduously to this work; but, at the age of twenty-two became convinced that he could best serve God and his fellow men in the ministry. By the aid of kind friends, he was enabled to enter the Southwestern Presbyterian University, at Clarksville, Tenn., in September, 1890, and studied there for five years, four in collegiate work and one in theological work, in the Divinity School.

Bro. Green has always been of delicate health, and especially so since his seventh year, when he was confined for a long while

by a serious illness, which undermined his constitution. This has made still more arduous his struggle for education,

After entering Southwestern, he was soon importuned to join Sigma Alpha Epsilon and P. K. A., but discreetly waited until he became more familiar with college life. In the spring of 1891 he accepted an invitation to join Alpha Tau chapter of Alpha Tau Omega and was initiated April 28, 1891. He immediately took a lively interest in fraternity affairs, and, with our beloved, departed brother, John W. Abbott, soon became the leader of his chapter, and was prominent in all fraternity interests of the University. He worked ably and untiringly for the welfare of Tenn. Alpha Tau, and, as a result, saw her advance steadily from term to term, in strength and loyalty. He spent many hours in hard study of the secret work and constitution, and became so deeply versed in same, that he was considered the authority of the chapter on these matters. The result of his hard work and loyal devotion may be read in the splendid history of Tenn. Alpha Tau. He was honored by his chapter in turn, being elected W. U., W. K. A. for two terms, W. K. E. for two terms, W. C., W. M., and then W. Cor., all of which offices he filled with great fidelity and ability. He attended the Congress at Nashville, in 1892, at his own expense, and was delegate of his chapter to the Congress at Washington, in 1894, at which he was the wise choice of the fraternity for the office of Worthy Grand Keeper of Annals.

Since leaving college in June, 1895, Bro. Green has been temporarily in charge of the Presbyterian churches of Russellville and Dardanelle, Ark., having been licensed to preach the gospel by the Arkansaw Presbytery at Little Rock, Oct. 21, 1895. It is now his intention to go to Virginia next September and resume his theological studies at the Union Theological Seminary, at Hampden Sidney, the home of defunct Va. Beta Sigma.

The feeble health which has been mentioned above, still proves a burden to Bro. Green, and it is on this account that, much to the regret of all officers and members of the fraternity, he has been forced to resign the position of W. G. K. A., which he has filled with unusual devotion and signal ability. The heavy

duties of the office were too much for him, in addition to the demands of his regular professional work. To no one has this been more a subject of regret and disappointment than to our brother. Writing of his resignation he says: "It is with much sorrow that I lay down this work. My heart has been in it from the first, and I have given much hard labor to perfect the records of the fraternity. I turn over my work to my successor in perfect system, and it will not be difficult now to manage the affairs of the office.

"Since undertaking the work, I have noted great advancement among the chapters in the matter of keeping their records and reports in correct form. I think this result has been brought about by frequent correspondence with the W. K. A's of the various chapters.

"My love for A. T. O. is undiminished, and should I again be needed to give my time and energy to her success, it will be most cheerfully rendered, provided only that my health will permit. I shall always feel a deep interest in all Alpha Taus and all chapters, and especially the Grand Officers and members of the High Council, with whom I have been so pleasantly associated for the last year and a half."

These words are the best evidence of Bro. Green's loyalty and devotion. He has attended to the exacting duties of his office at much inconvenience to himself and with considerable risk to his already feeble health. The fraternity cannot fail to appreciate such rare devotion and we are sure that all will join in the hope that Bro. Green's condition will speedily improve, and that he may long be spared to reap a noble and merited harvest from his arduous struggles. The fraternity is deeply indebted to him for the admirable manner in which he has cared for her annals.

TO GRADUATES AND OTHERS.

THE college men who have just graduated will go forth into the world confronted by the same old problems of practical life as their predecessors, and, in addition, by some new and serious ones which demand the most careful attention. If they are to prove themselves worthy citizens, they must necessarily take a prominent part in their solution. More and more heavy burdens devolve on the best educated men of the country as time goes on. To shirk them means dishonor to themselves and disaster to their country: to meet them as befits a man, means personal glory of the most honorable type and national growth and prosperous development. To-day, more than ever before, there is convincing proof of the wisdom of the words of Alexander Pope, "A little learning is a dangerous thing." Half education is sometimes more to be deplored than no education. A college man who has neglected the splendid opportunities for self-culture now afforded by our colleges and universities has been criminally negligent of his own best interests, as well as of those of his country. A broad philosophy and a liberal education tend to make one regard the world as his country and mankind as his people; and yet no true education of the present day should militate against patriotic devotion to one's native land. The breadth of view and the liberal toleration of the differing views of others, which are the conscious and unconscious result of development in a proper educational atmosphere, only make one better able to cope, in a spirit of breadth and fairness, such as the occasion demands, with the mighty problems which are involved in the government of our country, with its many diversified interests, often diametrically opposed to one another. We are, therefore, of the opinion that in the coming great national election college men should take off their coats and lay aside all spirit of classicism and pharisaism and battle like men for what their superior education tells them is the best for the country. Let them not fear to soil their hands or their linen. The opportunity is worthy of the noblest and the highest, under a government "of the people by the peo-

ple and for the people." College men, we know, will rise to the occasion. Their increasing interest in public affairs is one of the best signs of the times.

We have never considered it out of place for a fraternity editor to counsel and urge patriotism and the proper performance of the duties of true citizenship on the part of his readers. We consider it part of the mission of every college fraternity in its true and logical development to encourage these. Especially is this true of Alpha Tau Omega. She knows no sectionalism, and aspires to be as broad as the country and nation which evolved and nourishes her. Nothing but good can come of the close association of men from different sections of our land in the honorable bonds of such a fraternity as ours, whose banner is woven from strands that run and interlace from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from Maine to Texas. It is a splendid inspiration to be a member of such a noble band.

He who intends to spend his life as an idler and a pleasure seeker has no place here. He should wend his way to some uncivilized people, and stifle every impulse to grow mentally and morally. He deserves to die "unnamed, unhonored and unsung." Education imposes duties as well as it affords privileges. College men should prove to the toiling and struggling masses that they are good for something, that they are earnest and not afraid of work. They will thus counteract and remove an idea very prevalent among the masses, that college unfits a man for practical everyday life.

Many Alpha Taus take up politics and many of them are highly successful. This cannot fail to be the case, if they will bear in mind and follow the noble teachings of their fraternity. These brothers bring much honor to Alpha Tau Omega, and she is justly proud of their records and wishes them all success. Necessarily, her standing before the public will be largely determined by them, and this is part of their responsibility. But the great mass of our brothers are not in politics as a profession, although they all have public duties to perform. They should realize that faithful attention to these is of quite as great, if not greater, importance than unusual success in business or a profes-

sion. The country and the era demand a high type of citizenship to counteract bizarre doctrines and dangerous movements. Let all Alpha Taus, graduates and undergraduates, ponder these things, and act as their study and experience shall direct. They will thus become centres of benificent influences and reflect a splendid glory on their fraternity.

To pass from the consideration of these matters of prime importance to college men, the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity demands of all brothers work more directly in her interest. During vacation there are many opportunities to begin next year's campaign. Brothers should be on the lookout for new material, both for their own chapter and for others. This sort of co-operation is very helpful, and alumni as well as undergraduates should correspond with chapters whenever it is possible to be of service. In this way rivals may often be forestalled. During vacation, there are other matters which should engage attention. The Worthy Grand Chief has mentioned some of the most important in his communications. Especially important is it that all should co-operate with him in his work on the directory. His hands are already full and every brother should be willing to afford such assistance as he can. We also think that it may be possible for brothers during vacation to do something for the PALM, either in the way of writing or obtaining subscriptions. Very little matter is contributed, considering the literary ability of the PALM's constituency, and every effort in this direction is much appreciated. Financial support is also very much needed. Many brothers are out of touch with their fraternity simply because they do not receive the PALM. It would be of much benefit to all concerned if their subscriptions could be obtained.

We have simply undertaken in this article to point out some duties and to indicate how brothers may be most helpful to the fraternity. We simply make suggestions, but feel that they must commend themselves to our readers. The time for action is always the present, and we do not like to see any opportunity for usefulness in fraternity work wasted. Sometime brothers, who have been very active in college, mysteriously moderate in their enthusiasm after graduation. We are unable to understand

why this should be. Membership in Alpha Tau Omega is something to be proud of throughout one's life time, and it is certainly something that should be helpful to all. We trust that not a single graduate of this year will fail to keep in touch with his chapter and his fraternity in general. If he does not, he will soon find himself very much behind the times, for Alpha Tau is not going to stand still, but grow and develop.

To every brother in this last number and volume in the college year, we wish a most pleasant and profitable vacation and that each may return to the work in the fall, if he is to return to college, with increased strength and enthusiasm. To the graduates we wish success in their life work and recommend that they shirk no honest labor, however lowly, and ever bear in mind the cardinal principles of Alpha Tau Omega.

In the words of our last Congress poet:

"Be loyal men, be faithful men,
Firm, steadfast, brave and true;
Live for the right, despise the wrong,
In everything you do.

"Sell not your manhood for renown;
Yours principles, for gold
Your peace of mind and joy of heart,
Prize more than wealth untold.

"The gladsome dreams of college days
Still cherish while you may;
Fling not the hopes of college life
With careless hand away.

"If men are false, and harsh, and weak,
Be true, be kind, be strong;
A loyal Greek is not the man
Who yields his life to wrong.

"Be worthy sons of Alpha Tau,
Despite the gain or loss,
And crown the truest manhood
With the regal Maltese Cross."

BENJAMIN MARVIN HARRIS.

MANY an Alpha Tau's heart must have been saddened to learn from the last PALM that Bro. Ben Harris is no more. It seems almost incredible. Many years of useful life, full of distinguished achievements seemed to lie before him. But Death is no respecter of persons or of our ideas of the fitness of things, and nothing is left to us but the consolation that, in the wise economy of Providence, it was for the best.

Bro. Harris was born at Kendall, a small village a few miles from the city of Rochester, N. Y., and near Lake Ontario. It is a beautiful farming and fruit growing section, and Bro. Harris's parents were prominent in its life and history. His birth day was November 15th, 1866. He early became impressed with the advantages of a liberal education. and, after a thorough preparatory course in the best schools of his section, he entered Cornell University with the class of 1890, registering in the department of Mechanical Engineering.

Bro. Harris was a most thorough and conscientious student and early developed marked ability in his chosen profession. He was not, however, unmindful of the amenities of college life. When a movement was started to establish a chapter of Alpha Tau Omega at Cornell, he was one of its most enthusiastic promoters. He was not only one of the charter members of the chapter, but was also its first Worthy Master. He was a splendid worker in the interests of his chosen fraternity.

Many difficulties often attend extension of this kind, especially at such a university as Cornell, and Bro. Harris proved a host in himself in hard work. It was the painful duty of the young chapter to suspend one of its founders soon after its birth, on account of gross disloyalty, and in this trying period, the counsels of Bro. Harris were of untold value. He was instrumental in enlisting some of the most prominent men in college in the ranks of Alpha Tau Omega, and it is very doubtful whether any other chapter at the great fraternity stronghold has ever had more rapid and substantial growth than N. Y. Beta Theta of



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Alpha Tau Omega. In its early days, a hall was occupied on a business street, but a chapter house soon became a necessity, and it was then again that Bro. Harris came to the front by purchasing a suitable house on East Hill, near the University Campus, which was rented from him by the chapter for several years. Here it continued to grow in strength and prominence and Bro. Harris continued one of the best and most loyal workers.

Beta Theta was distinctively an athletic chapter in the early days, having on her rolls the names of champion athletes in every department. Bro. Harris was not the least of these. He won distinction as a wrestler, oarsman and football player, and would, doubtless, have done much more, had it not been for a troublesome injury to his knee, received while playing end rush in the Cornell-Yale football game at Ithaca.

Bro. Harris was graduated with high standing with the degree of M. E., in 1890, when N. Y. Beta Theta sent forth an unusually large number of graduates. Shortly afterward he sailed for Europe in company with Bro. Wm. R. Irish, Jr., now of Lima, O., and sister and father, on quite an extensive trip and after his return, located in Chicago, as a multitude of other college men did prior to the great World's Fair. He remained there several years in the employ of the Heidenreich Co. and the Hill Clutch Works, of Cleveland, O., traveling part of the time in the interest of the latter firm. While in Chicago he became a member of the Chicago Alumni Association. He later returned to the East and in 1893 and 1894 pursued a course of post-graduate work in electrical engineering at his *alma mater* and resumed his active connection with N. Y. Beta Theta. After leaving the University he took up electrical work in New York City with considerable success, and there identified himself with the N. Y. Alumni Association. At the time of his death, which occurred on May 2nd last from typhoid fever, he was employed by an engineering firm in Mexico where he was meeting with success.

The editor of the PALM was so intimately associated with Bro. Harris for several years, that it would be easy for him to write a volume on our departed and lamented brother. Ben was a man who did not care for many friends, and there were only a

chosen few who were admitted to his close confidence, but to these he was loyal and true to the end. Not a few brothers have received timely assistance and encouragement from him at critical moments, and occasionally his good nature in this respect was abused. Those who knew him best will say without a dissenting voice: "Ben Harris was as good as gold: his heart was true: his purpose was high and honorable: he was a noble Alpha Tau."

In late years few brothers have accomplished work of greater importance to the fraternity than Ben Harris. Much of the marvelous growth of Beta Theta, whose establishment marked a new era in the history of Alpha Tau Omega, was due to him. He gave her stability in her early days and thus laid the foundation of her splendid later history. Throughout his lifetime his loyalty remained strong, and he was always eager to help in any work for the advancement of Alpha Tau Omega.

The news of his death so far away from home and friends was a grievous shock to all who knew him. It announced the death of one who was ever a helpful worker for his chapter and his fraternity, a manly man, a true Alpha Tau. No one could leave a nobler record than that.

"Death takes us by surprise,
And stays our hurrying feet;
The great design unfinished lies,
Our lives are incomplete.

"But in the dark unknown
Perfect their circles seem,
Even as a bridge's arch of stone
Is rounded in the stream."

ALPHA TAU ALUMNI IN TEXAS.

THE pleasant duty in which Texas Gamma Epsilon Chapter has been engaged from her first organization has been that of locating and getting acquainted with the many Alpha Tau Alumni from other chapters who have come to Texas. We have considered this our duty since we are the only representatives of A. T. O. in Texas, and we have hoped that our efforts would have the effect of keeping up the interest of the alumni in the state. It certainly has been a source of great encouragement to the chapter and has stimulated our enthusiasm and pride in the Fraternity to a wonderful degree. In this work we have been successful far beyond our first anticipation and, while Texas may not compare in Alpha Tau wealth with many of the older states where active chapters have been long located, still, with our search only half begun, we have already found upwards of forty A. T. O.'s here from widely distant localities and representing many different chapters. And we cannot refrain from saying that in every instance where we have had the pleasure of personal acquaintance with these brothers we have found them noble representatives of Alpha Tau Omega manhood, loyal and enthusiastic in fraternity matters and jolly good fellows socially. They make us more and more proud to be A. T. O.'s. Particularly inspiring has been our acquaintance with those prominent young members of the Fraternity, Bros. Gary, McKenzie and Saner. To give the PALM the results of our investigations, I append the following list.

At Dallas we have had the best opportunity of making personal search and have found six A. T. O.'s. Robt. K. Gaston (Tenn. Omega) is here. He is one of the very foremost young men of Dallas, is a leader in society, being President of the Idlewild Club and prominent in other clubs of the city. He holds a commission as Colonel in the Texas Volunteer Guard. His brother, Wm. H. Gaston, Jr., is an active member of Tenn. Omega. Bro. J. F. McKenzie (Tenn. Beta Pi) is located here in the practice of law, "Mack" is one of the most active and enthusiastic A. T. O.'s

we have ever met and extends an invitation to all A. T. O.'s visiting Dallas to call upon him at his offices 218-19 North Texas Bank Bldg. Geo. A. Carden (Ala Elpha Epsilon) is a lawyer here and quite prominent in politics, being a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee. Jos. N. Cary, once a member of the D. C. Alumni Association, is also practicing law here. A late comer into our midst is Bro. Jas. Craik Morris (Tenn. Omega) who is assistant Rector of St. Matthew's Cathedral. We have noted with pleasure his success in this field and his instant popularity among the parishoners.

At Austin, Hon. T. W. Gregory (Tenn. Alpha Tau), is gaining a wide reputation as a brilliant and successful lawyer. We first met him in June, 1893, when he delivered the address before the literary societies at Austin College and since becoming united to him in the bonds of our brotherhood it has been a pleasure to renew the acquaintance. His interest in our chapter has been of a most active and helpful sort. Among the young men of our fraternity there is scarcely one who is better known than Bro. R. E. L. Saner, of Tenn. Beta Pi. He and his brother, John C. Saner, are now at the University of Texas taking a course in law preparatory to a career at the bar in Texas. Bro. Sam M. Parks (Tenn. Lambda), of Brownwood, Texas, is also in the University.

Tyler is another rallying point for Alpha Tau. Here is our genial brother, Hampson Gary, of Va. Delta, known to our whole fraternity for many distinguished services, delegate to the Nashville Congress and compiler of the Va. Delta Catalogue. Also Park W. Roland (N. C. Alpha Eta) and Jas. D. Moody (Va Delta), both prominent business and society young men of that place.

At McKinney, Texas, Bro. T. H. Mangum (Ala. Alpha Epsilon) is practicing law with success and honor. He holds the position of County Attorney. Our chapter has enjoyed one or two visits from Bro. Mangum and hopes they will be repeated frequently.

At Houston are four alumni of old Tenn. Omega, which has sent so many and such noble Alpha Taus into Texas. Wm. D. Cleveland, Jr., and A. S. Cleveland, who are in the cotton busi-

ness; B. R. Latham, proprietor of a large furniture establishment, and W. C. Robertson, who is now in New York studying.

At Paris we find a whole family of A. T. O.'s in the Martin brothers. Hugh (N. Y. Beta Theta), is an architect in New York; Herbert is in the cotton business in Paris, and Jamie (N. C. Alpha Eta), is also there.

At Weatherford we see the same thing in the two sons of Ex-Congressman Lanham, H. M. Lanham (S. C. Beta Phi), and McCall Lanham (Tenn. Alpha Tau). Also their cousin, J. L. McCall is a member of Tex. Gamma Epsilon.

I know of but two A. T. O.'s in Fort Worth. They are Bros. Jeff C. McLean and J. M. Reid (Ala. Alpha Epsilon). Bro. Reid is a civil engineer and soon after graduation received a very lucrative offer to go to Africa. where he was engaged on the construction of some railroads and returned with many interesting reminiscences and curios of that continent. We are informed that he has lately gone to Mexico.

At Terrell are Bros. Lon. D. Cartwright (Tenn. Beta Pi) and A. E. Alexander, attorney (Tenn. Lambda). At San Antonio are located Bros. H. C. Lane and Phil H. Shook, and the last PALM reported "Bro. H. C. Walliver, Va. Delta, '70, Circuit Court Judge." Bro. H. M. Garwood (Tenn. Omega), is a prominent lawyer of Bastrop and last year was a member of the Texas State Senate. In his college days he was the first Tennessean to win the Southern Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest. Bro. Allan D. Sanford is a lawyer at Waco, Texas, and his brother, R. D. Sanford, is also located there. Another enthusiastic member of Tenn. Beta Pi is Bro. R. L. Yeager, who is in the drug business at Mineral Wells, Texas. Dr. Leslie E. Kelton (Tenn. Beta Pi), who graduated in medicine at Sewanee, is at Powell, Tex.

In addition to these we have the names of the following brothers about whom we have never been able to learn particulars.

W. N. Palmer, Tenn. Lambda, Dublin, Texas.

J. C. Barber, Tenn. Lambda, Jefferson, Texas.

W. F. Martin, Tenn. Lambda, Melrose, Texas.

H. H. McGill, Corsicana, Texas.

Tom Brewer, Ky. Zeta, Texarkana.

J. Chas. Harris, Attorney, Ohio Alpha Nu, Galveston.

M. E. Williams, Ohio Beta Omega, El Paso.

Bro. A. S. (Fred) Burdette (Va. Delta) is traveling in Texas for a St. Louis house and we found him full of the A. T. O. spirit.

The Texas Gamma Epsilon Alumni are located as follows: Geo. C. F. Butte, Commerce, Texas; Sam J. McFarland, Ladonia, Texas; J. E. and T. L. Simmons, Mexia, Texas; O. V. Kirven, Fairfield; M. B. Walcott, Honey Grove; Bro. S. E. Chandler, (Tenn. Alpha Tau) is a member of the Austin College Faculty, and at Sherman, Bros. W. A. and R. E. Vinson, Leslie Maxey, W. D. Mitchell and Ruby Galloway are holding things down during vacation.

We know that the above list is far from complete and is perhaps inaccurate in some particulars, but the main object of its publication will be accomplished if every brother and every chapter that knows of an Alpha Tau in our state will write and inform us about him. Especially if any Texas brother whom we have not yet discovered shall see this article we want him to make himself known to us.

With such a list of alumni and one chapter established in the state what a future ought to lie before Alpha Tau Omega in Texas. Why should we not have a Lone Star State Alumni Association? The Dallas State Fair with its cheap rates affords just the opportunity for an annual meeting. Bro. J. F. McKenzie is willing to undertake the task of putting this matter on foot and every brother in the state should write him his opinion on the subject at once. If the organization is to be completed by the next Fair, now is the time to begin on the preliminary steps. Let us hear from you.

Yours very fraternally,

GEO. W. MITCHELL, Tex. Gamma Epsilon.

170 Masten St., Dallas, Texas.

OBITER DICTA.

SOME very interesting statistics on the standing and distribution of college fraternities have appeared in recent numbers of *Beta Theta Pi*, the excellent organ of the fraternity of that name.

According to an article in the June number, which is entitled, "The Geographical Distribution of Chapters," Maine has two chapters each of Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Sigma and Zeta Psi and one each of Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Psi Upsilon and Theta Delta Chi.

New Hampshire (at Dartmouth College) has one chapter each of Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Psi, Psi Upsilon, Sigma Chi and Theta Delta Chi.

Vermont has one chapter each of Alpha Tau Omega, Chi Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Sigma, Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Phi.

Massachusetts has five chapters each of Delta Upsilon and Theta Delta Chi; four chapters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; three chapters each of Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta and Zeta Psi; two chapters each of Chi Phi, Zeta Psi, Delta Psi, Phi Delta Theta and Phi Gamma Delta, and one chapter each of Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Phi, Kappa Alpha, (Northern), Phi Kappa Psi, Psi Upsilon, Sigma Chi and Sigma Phi.

Rhode Island (at Brown University) has one chapter each of Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Phi, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Psi Upsilon, Theta Delta Chi and Zeta Psi.

Connecticut has three chapters each of Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Psi Upsilon; two chapters each of Beta Theta Pi, Delta Psi and Phi Gamma Delta, and one chapter each of Chi Phi, Chi Psi, Delta Phi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Theta Delta Chi and Zeta Psi.

New York has eight chapters each of Delta Upsilon and Del-

ta Kappa Epsilon; seven chapters each of Psi Upsilon and Theta Delta Chi; six chapters each of Phi Gamma Delta, Alpha Delta Phi and Beta Theta Pi; five chapters each of Delta Phi and Phi Kappa Psi; four chapters each of Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Phi and Zeta Psi; three chapters each of Chi Psi and Kappa Alpha (Northern); two chapters each of Alpha Tau Omega, Chi Phi, Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and one chapter each of Delta Psi and Kappa Sigma.

New Jersey has two chapters each of Beta Theta Pi and Chi Psi (Alpha Tau Omega is erroneously credited with two N. J. chapters also. There are no such chapters), and one chapter each of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Phi, Delta Tau Delta and Delta Upsilon.

Pennsylvania has nine chapters of Phi Kappa Psi; eight chapters of Phi Gamma Delta; seven chapters of Phi Delta Theta; five chapters each of Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Sigma and Sigma Chi; three chapters each of Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon; two chapters each of Delta Phi, Sigma Nu, Theta Delta Chi and Zeta Psi, and one chapter each of Chi Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Psi, Kappa Alpha (Northern) and Sigma Phi.

Ohio has ten chapters of Beta Theta Pi; six each of Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Delta Theta and Phi Gamma Delta; five each of Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Chi; four of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; three each of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Phi Kappa Psi; two each of Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Upsilon and Sigma Nu; one each of Chi Phi, Kappa Sigma, Psi Upsilon, Theta Delta Chi and Zeta Psi.

Michigan has four chapters of Delta Tau Delta; three each of Alpha Tau Omega and Phi Delta Theta; two of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; one each of Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Chi Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Psi, Psi Upsilon, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Phi, Theta Delta Chi and Zeta Psi.

Indiana has seven chapters of Phi Delta Theta; six of Sigma Chi; four each of Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta and Sigma Nu; three of Phi Kappa Psi; two each of Kappa

Sigma and Sigma Alpha Epsilon; one each of Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Delta Upsilon.

Illinois has five chapters of Phi Delta Theta; three each of Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Chi; two each of Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi and Sigma Nu, one each of Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Sigma, Psi Upsilon and Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Wisconsin has two chapters each of Beta Theta Phi and Sigma Chi; one each of Chi Psi, Delta Tau Delta, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Psi Upsilon and Theta Delta Chi:

Minnesota has one chapter each of Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Zeta Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Psi Upsilon, Sigma Chi, and Theta Delta Chi, all at the State University.

Iowa has two chapters each of Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta; one chapter each of Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Nu.

Missouri has three chapters each of Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Nu; two chapters of Beta Theta Pi.

Nebraska has one chapter each of Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Chi.

Kansas has one chapter each of Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi and Sigma Nu.

Colorado has two chapters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; one each of Beta Theta Pi and Delta Tau Delta.

California has three chapters of Sigma Chi; two chapters each of Beta Theta Pi, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Nu and Zeta Psi; one chapter each of Alpha Tau Omega, Chi Phi, Chi Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta, and Phi Kappa Psi.

Tennessee has seven chapters of Kappa Sigma; six chapters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; five chapters of Alpha Tau Omega; four

chapters of Kappa Alpha; two chapters each of Beta Theta Pi Delta Tau Delta and Phi Delta Theta; one chapter each of Chi Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Chi and Sigma Nu.

Maryland has one chapter each of Alpha Delta Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Phi, Kappa Alpha, Phi Gamma Delta, and Phi Kappa Psi, all of which are located at Johns Hopkins University.

The District of Columbia has one chapter each of Theta Delta Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha and Theta Delta Chi, all at Columbian University of Washington.

The statistics are not complete and not wholly accurate. A number of the Southern States are not mentioned.

It is noticeable that Delaware, Florida, Arkansas, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, Oregon and Washington have no chapters of any Greek Letter fraternities, and this may be taken as an indication of an imperfect educational system. Florida and Oregon once had chapters of Alpha Tau Omega, but these were never strong and died long ago.

It should be added to the above statistics that Mississippi has one chapter each of Kappa Alpha, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Sigma and Beta Theta Pi.

Alabama has three chapters each of Alpha Tau Omega and Kappa Alpha, and two chapters of Sigma Nu; Louisiana has two chapters each of Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma, and Kappa Alpha, and one chapter each of Alpha Tau Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Delta Tau Delta; Texas has two chapters each of Kappa Alpha and Sigma Nu, and one each of Alpha Tau Omega, Beta Theta Pi and Kappa Sigma.

Phi Delta Theta has the largest number of chapters, 68, and Kappa Alpha (Northern) has the smallest number, 6. Beta Theta Pi has the second highest number, 62; Sigma Alpha Epsilon has 54; Sigma Chi, 46; Phi Gamma Delta, 43; Alpha Tau Omega, 42, counting Pa. Alpha Rho; Kappa Sigma, 39; Phi Kappa Psi, 38; Delta Tau Delta and Kappa Alpha (Southern), 37; Delta Kappa Epsilon and Sigma Nu, 35, which is a much smaller number than the former once had; Delta Upsilon, 31; Theta Delta Chi, 13; Zeta

Psi and Alpha Delta Phi, 22; Psi Upsilon, 21; Chi Phi, 20; Chi Psi, 18; Delta Phi and Phi Kappa Sigma, 12; Delta Psi and Sigma Phi, 8.

There are five chapters of Greek letter fraternities in Canada, and there was once a chapter of Chi Phi at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

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The following is part of the Penal Code of the State of New York:

“Any person who wilfully wears the insignia, or rosette, of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, or of any society or order of organization of ten years standing, or uses the same to obtain aid or assistance within the State, unless entitled to use or wear the same, is guilty of a misdemeanor”

According to the *New York Sun*, this provision of the code was recently enforced in connection with the wearing of a Chi Psi badge. It seems that Osgood Smith, a New York lawyer, who is secretary of the Chi Psi Alumni Association at New York, had occasion to transact some law business with Augustin Daly, at Mr. Daly's Theater and, while waiting for an interview, noticed a colored caterer wearing a jeweled badge of his fraternity. He asked for an explanation and justification which was, however, not forthcoming. Mr. Smith thereupon began proceedings under the above section of the Code.

The caterer appeared in court, and claimed that the badge was given to him by a friend in 1876, and that he had always worn it since. He was discharged on condition that he bring the badge into court the next morning, which he did. The magistrate examined it, but could find no means for its identification. Mr. Smith then pointed out a figure and a letter on one of the arms of the parts of the monogram and explained that the letter indicated that the original owner was a member of the Chi Psi chapter at Middleburg College, while the figure furnished a key to his name. He then produced a Chi Psi catalogue, and showed that the owner of the pin was a graduate of Middleburg in 1865, who had died in 1871. Mr. Smith claimed that he was in a better position than any one else to find the heirs of his deceased brother,

and that, in case they could not be found, the pin was the property of the Middleburg chapter. This satisfied the court and the defendant and the badge was handed over to the complainant.

The law seems to have had a very good effect in this case, and experience seems to justify its enactment. Badges are often promiscuously worn by those who have no shadow of right to their use, because they are a very attractive form of jewelry. The value of those lost and stolen every year is very considerable, and fraternity men should co-operate in restoring them to their owners,

The editor of the PALM recently had the pleasure of returning a D. K. E. badge to its owner, who is a prominent attorney of St. Louis. At the time it was picked up in Nashville, it was being worn by a negro cab driver.

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Now that Alpha Tau Omega has been in existence just a little over thirty years, it may be interesting to ascertain in what colleges in which other fraternities have placed chapters she is not now represented. Her forty-two chapters are well placed and prosperous, but it cannot be said that there are no more opportunities for extension, although a very conservative spirit now prevails in regard to such work, which the experience of all fraternities seems to justify. While she does not assume the attitude of Alexander, it may be well to discover just what new worlds remain for her to conquer. There are also some institutions of high standing where she was once known, but where the Maltese Cross is now no longer seen.

Among colleges which may well be considered, when a policy of aggressive extension shall be adopted, and where she will meet worthy rivals, are the following: Amherst College, at Amherst, Mass.; Beloit College, Beloit, Wis.; Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me.; University of Chicago; Columbia University, New York City; Columbian University, Washington, D. C.; Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.; Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.; Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.; Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.; Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.; Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.; Syracuse University, Syra-

cuse, N. Y.; University of California, Berkeley. Cal.; University of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia.; University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kas.; University of Mich, Ann Arbor, Mich.; University of Minnesota. Minneapolis, Minnesota; University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.; University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.; Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.: and Yale College, New Haven, Conn.

We do not mean it to be inferred that we would approve of granting charters to the above colleges, or any of them, without investigation, but simply to call attention to them as institutions at which college fraternities are well established and prosperous. It can safely be said, however, that a petition from the right kind of men from any of the above institutions would merit the most careful consideration.



A DESIGN FOR OUR BANNER.

EDITORIAL.

Through the kindness of Bro. Ray B. Morgan, who is its business manager, we have been favored with a copy of the annual number of *The College World*, which is a semi-monthly, published by the literary societies of Adrian college, Michigan, and of which Bro. T. C. Stephens is one of the local editors. It is a very creditable number, which devotes considerable space to the fraternities, and is embellished with many college views. We judge that Adrian has grown very materially in strength during the past year, and are confident that Alpha Mu has also enjoyed a large share of prosperity.

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We have been favored with a copy of a little book entitled, "Ohio Chapters of Alpha Tau Omega," through the courtesy of the editor, Bro. W. R. Bass of Ohio Beta Eta, who, it will be remembered, responded in eloquent vein to the address of welcome at the Washington Congress in 1894. The book is published under the direction of the Ohio State Association, and is neatly bound in black leatherette. It is a little book of about seventy pages, which are $4 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in. in size, and is filled with well-digested statistics in regard to Ohio chapters and brothers, together with considerable information in regard to the general fraternity, and, throughout is neat, tasty and interesting.

The Ohio chapters are treated in the order of their foundation, with history and statistics, and the name of each brother is given under the general heading, with his degree, class, date of initiation, college and subsequent honors, present residence and other data of interest, and a very full and helpful index completes the work, which is also adorned with a page engraving of Bro. Shives, of the High Council, the particular pride of Ohio Alpha Taus, and one of the most indefatigable workers the fraternity has ever had.

The work is a grand success, and is most welcome as an evidence of fraternity interest and activity. Every brother should have a copy, as it is very interesting and helpful, and well worth the reasonable price at which it is sold. Such an en-

terprise as that of our Ohio brother's deserves encouragement from every chapter, officer and member of the fraternity.

The price of the book is only fifty cents, for which price it may be obtained of the editor, Bro. W. R. Bass, Mulberry, Ohio. Postal money orders drawn on Milford, Ohio, will reach him: Let no reader of the PALM fail to order a copy.

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The name of Alpha Tau Omega has been associated with some very fine sheet music published by the Peters Music Publishing Company, of Sandusky, Ohio. "The Alpha Tau Omega Waltzes" will doubtless be received with great pleasure by the musicians of the fraternity, who will find them well worthy of their attention. There are eight pages of them by the well known composer, William Frederick Peters. Their title cover is a very pretty piece of work, showing the fraternity colors and insignia with very pleasing effect.

The "Waltzes" may be obtained of the Peters Music Publishing Co., Kingsbury Block, Sandusky, Ohio. The price is 75 cents in stamps or money order for the complete set.

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Worthy Grand Chief never rests from labor for Alpha Tau Omega. In this number we publish a design, the sketch of which was furnished by our distinguished brother, while the drawing from which our cut was made was executed by Bro. W. H. Dole, of N. Y. Beta Theta, who is well known as one of the best artists Alpha Tau Omega has ever produced. The fraternity is deeply indebted to both brothers for this work.

It should be understood that the design is merely a suggestion, which, we believe, however, will meet with quite general approval. The banner is, of course to be made in fraternity colors, as intended by the Congress at Washington.

All brothers of an artistic turn of mind are urged to submit other designs, in order that we may have the benefit of the very best talent in the fraternity for this work. Such designs should be sent to the Worthy Grand Chief.

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Will some one tell us why we have no chapter letter in this number from Cal. Beta Psi, Ga. Beta Theta, Ill. Gamma Zeta,

Mich. Alpha Mu, Mich. Beta Omicron, Penn. Alpha Upsilon, Tenn. Beta Pi or Tenn. Lambda?

Also will some one tell us why we have no annual report from any of the same chapters, except Beta Omicron, and also have none from Ga. Alpha Beta, Ga. Beta Iota, N. C. Alpha Delta, N. C. Alpha Chi, O. Alpha Nu, O. Beta Rho, S. C. Alpha Phi, Tenn. Alpha Tau, Tenn. Beta Tau or Va. Beta? We have no doubt that there may have been some oversight in regard to the reports, or some of them may have gone astray or been overlooked; but there is a large opportunity to find fault with the work of some chapters in these matters, and we hope that the fault will be promptly found by those whose interests have been neglected.

The reports at hand are very interesting indeed, and show evidence of careful compilation and are published in very tasty form, without exception, and must prove very valuable to the officers and chapters of the fraternity.

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We have a copy of a little work, in pamphlet form, by Bro. Granville H. Meixell, of O. Beta Omega, entitled "John J. Ingalls." It is a biographical sketch of much interest which is reprinted from the *Midland* of March and April, 1896. It is written in a sympathetic, but truly critical vein, and is well worthy of the attention of all admirers of the great Kansas statesman, orator and literary man. Copies may be had for 25 cents each from the author at Midland College, Atchison, Kas., where Bro. Meixell is Professor of the English Language and Literature, History, Economics and Social Science.

We are very much gratified to note this very creditable work on the part of one of our brothers, and trust that he will continue in this and other fields in as happy a vein.

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Owing to lack of space, it has been impossible to accept all offers of plates and writeups of chapters, although the Editor of the *PALM* has been extremely grateful for these. We trust that it will be possible for chapters to renew them next fall.

Quite a number of chapters have bisbanded without paying dues, whose collection is absolutely necessary to the welfare of the magazine. We must ask the individual members of such chapters to forward their dues at once to the editor. It can be readily seen that the payment of these neglected accounts will be even more difficult next fall, in Congress year, than now. Do not fail to forward your subscription for Vol. XVI at once if you have not already done so.

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The Worthy Grand Chief desires us to announce that he has received a petition from the University of Colorado for a charter. The petitioners are anxious to have a vote taken as soon as possible, so that, if favorable, they can get to work promptly at the next session. With this end in view chapters were notified at once by Bro. Glazebrook. Several chapters have advised him that it would be impossible for them to vote intelligently on such short notice, and, on this account, he desires to inform them that he will wait for their votes until Oct. 1st on this location.

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The Chairman of the High Council announces with much reluctance a vacancy in the list of Grand Officers, caused by the resignation of W. G. K. A. Green, as explained elsewhere in this number. Bro. Green was urged by all to reconsider his determination, as the High Council were deeply sensible of the large amount of valuable work he has done for the fraternity. He, however, replied that it was impossible to continue to perform the duties of the office with justice to himself, and the High Council therefore had no other course to pursue then to appoint a successor. They have been very happy in their choice of Bro. Thomas Ruffin, of N. C. Alpha Delta, whose faithful account of the last Congress will be recalled by all readers of the PALM. Every brother who was at Washington in 1894 will also remember him as a most enthusiastic and loyal brother. All communications relating to his office should be addressed to Thomas Ruffin, W. G. K. A., 1116 New York Ave., Washington, D. C.

The High Council has also appointed, as a special committee on catalogue, Bros. Thomas Ruffin, H. P. Simpson, and Larkin

W. Glazebrook, of Washington, D. C.; Bro. Zac Tolliver, of Nashville, Tenn.; and Bro. Jas. E. Green, of Russelville, Ark. It is hoped that they will have the hearty co-operation of all brothers.

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We have avoided as much as possible referring to the financial support of the PALM during this volume, but the situation is such that forbearance ceases to be a virtue. Some of the chapters always comply with all fraternity requirements as promptly as they should, but others treat the matter in a manner not very creditable to themselves and very annoying to the editor of the PALM. Quite a number of the chapters have paid no attention whatever to their obligations to the magazine, and we feel strongly tempted to publish their names here, but our love for the fraternity forbids this.

Especially annoying to the Editor is it when a chapter promises to pay dues at a certain time and then fails to give the matter any further attention. It is a most humiliating exhibition of anything but the fraternity spirit on the part of fraternity men. The more so as the Editor of the PALM has taken particular pains to keep before readers the requirements in regard to support of the PALM, and has repeatedly written to delinquent chapters, urging in strongest terms, the performance of this duty. In some instances the brothers came to the front in a most manly way, and in others the Editor's letters were utterly ignored. Sometimes excuses were given, which would not bear inspection.

It is most common for delinquent chapters to claim that local expenses have been heavy. We do not consider this any excuse at all. The indebtedness of the PALM is as much a debt as any other, and the fraternity spirit should lead brothers to consider it a *debt of honor*, to be paid at all events. When the printer comes to the Editor for his check, it will stand the latter in very poor stead to say that his living expenses or office expenses have been high. There is not a member of an active chapter who did not know during the college year just closed that he owed the small sum of \$1.50 for the PALM which he was receiving, and yet about 300 are still delinquent. Something must be done to remedy this.

The Editor of the *Theta Delta Chi Shield* has adopted a plan which seems to work well. It is stated by him as follows:

“Hereafter he who gets the *Shield* must pay for it in advance, the same as he does for his *Century* or *Harper's*, and no man will receive it who has not paid for it, and the same rule will apply to undergraduates. Instead of making out bills, a printed notice of expiration has already been sent to every subscriber, and in the event of no response being received this is the last *Shield* he will receive until he pays up. This method saves the severe burden of writing so many bills, and also a considerable outlay of postage. We will in this way know at the beginning of the year how much money we have at our disposal and the journal will be regulated so as to come within the sum received. No extra copies will be printed for delinquents. and in this way a material sum will be saved in first cost. Do not take offense at this innovation. It is not just to expect the editor to do it all and pay the bill. From all the information we can gather all fraternity journals experience the same difficulty in a greater degree even than the *Shield*. That is no excuse, however, for Theta Deltas to be delinquent. It does seem that the small sum of two dollars can be set aside for the support of the fraternity and its periodical without a great amount of self-denial. Arguments are useless. These are our own sentiments, and on that line we will conduct the *Shield*, and if it can not be successfully operated we will retire from the business and let some one else get a taste of hard work and no pay.”

The above is the result of long experience, and it seems to be the only way in which a fraternity editor can protect himself. On account of non-payment of dues, the editor of the *PALM* has dropped a large number of names from his list, and this policy will be continued whenever it becomes necessary to apply it. It is an injustice to those who pay to do otherwise. The policy must be applied to chapters. It is very likely that those chapters who have not paid their dues may find themselves suspended from the mailing list. We see no reason why such a policy would not be entirely just. The editor has recently talked with an officer of a fraternity of good standing, which seems to have

solved the financial problem. Every active member of this fraternity is assessed five dollars annually for general fraternity purposes, including support of magazine. If these dues are not promptly forthcoming from any chapter, it is temporarily suspended, and this brings it to time. The plan has worked admirably. The fraternity was \$1,500 in debt not many years ago, and is now not only square with the world, but has a very comfortable bank account besides. It looks as though a rule of this kind would be helpful in our case also. We are very reluctant to admit that the *honor* system does not work to our entire satisfaction, when the small annual assessment of \$1.50 remains unpaid by so many brothers as we have above stated.

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We are disappointed in not being able to use in this number an article on the first editor of the PALM. It will appear without fail, in our next number.

IN MEMORIAM.

THIS is the first dark day that ever dawned to mingle its sad memories with the pleasant associations of Beta Tau chapter. Our badges for the first time are draped in mourning; the stillness of death pervades our hall; one of our most noble brothers has fallen.

Brother Remus H. Avery was drowned while bathing in Forked Deer River at Jackson, Tenn., Saturday, May 23, 1896, when in the twentieth year of his age.

His comrades and brothers of Beta Tau desire to place on record a testimony of their grief at his untimely end. In his sudden, and seemingly premature death, we recognize the hand of an all-wise Providence, who "doeth all things well." While bowing submissively to His will, yet we deeply feel and mourn the loss of a brother true and tried, devoted and zealous in all the relations of life, a loyal and worthy member of our brotherhood.

In the bloom of youth, and standing as it were on the threshold of noble manhood, usefulness and success, his "sun went down while yet it was day."

Beta Tau realizes that she has sustained an irretrievable loss, the S. W. B. University has lost an honored student, the students, a faithful friend and his church and Sunday School, an earnest and zealous worker.

To his sorrowing family, bereft of a loving and dutiful son, a kind and gentle brother, we extend our deepest sympathy. May they find peace and consolation in believing in God, whom he trusted. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee."

• The silver chord is loosed, the golden bond is broken; his dust has returned to earth, but his glorious spirit supported by angels has ascended to God who gave it; in whose presence all His virtuous, trustful and loving subjects shall spend an eternity undisturbed by death, sadness and mourning.

Let a copy of this be placed upon our minutes, a copy be sent to the family of our departed brother, to the PALM and to the *Eatonian* for publication.

E. S. BYARS,	{ Committee.
D. D. SHUCK,	
L. W. RUSSELL,	
W. J. MAHONEY.	

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

THE personal department of the PALM is generally considered about the most interesting part of the magazine. The only way for the editor to get these items is through the co-operation of brothers who are interested in the success of the PALM, and it is urgently requested that they be sent in whenever possible. If you have none about others send one about yourself. It will be very much appreciated.

The chapters of Phi Gamma Delta at Yale and Columbia expect to build chapter houses soon. That of the former will be a hall on the plan of the local Yale societies and not a clubhouse.

Bro. S. T. Hines, '92, O. Alpha Psi, is successfully serving the Lutheran church at Osnaburg, O.

The *Forum* for July has some very interesting political articles which should be popular at this time. Among them are, "Jefferson and His Party Today," by Hon. William E. Russell, of Massachusetts, which is written in a patriotic vein; "The Presidential Outlook as Europeans View It," by Paul Leroy-Beaulieu, the noted French editor, and "Mr. Cleveland's Second Administration," by George Walton Green. There are besides several very interesting articles on important questions of the day, which will repay careful reading.

Bro. Geo. M. Hosack, of Mich. Beta Lambda, a member of the law firm of Murphy & Hosack, of Pittsburg, Pa., was recently nominated for the Pennsylvania legislature, on the republican ticket, from the legislative district comprising the 14th to 36th wards of Pittsburg. He ran as an anti Quay candidate, having the support of Hon. C. L. Magee and Senator Flinn, and had the comfortable majority of 11,210. The nomination is equivalent to election. Bro. Hosack has a comfortable may of getting what he wants.

W. D. Osgood, the famous U. of P. halfback, is said to have linked his fortunes with those of Cuba, and is now a major in the Cuban army.

Bro. R. S. Parsons, '94, O. Alpha Psi, has changed his address from Waverly Iowa, to Brandt, O., having resigned his position as professor of mathematics at Wartburg College in the former place to accept the position of principal of the high school at the latter.

Bro. Percy A. Robbins, N. Y. Beta Theta, is now located at Johannesburg, South African Republic, where he is employed by an engineering firm.

Bro. L. E. Wolfe. Ohio Beta Mu, of West Lafayette, O., is desirous of obtaining copies of No 4, Vol. XII and No. 3, Vol. XIV to complete his files. He has one extra copy each of No. 3, Vol. XII and Nos. 2 and 3 of Vol. XIII, which he will be glad to send any brother needing any of them to complete files.

Bro. Thomas Phillips, O. Alpha Psi, has engaged in the practice of dentistry at Springfield, O.

The annual convention of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity will be held at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, July 28, 29, 30 and 31. Last year's convention was held at Chicago. The summer convention plan seems to work very satisfactorily with Beta Theta Pi. Zeta Psi's fiftieth annual convention was held in New York City in April last. The convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma will be held at Evanston, Ill., in August next.

In March last, Theta Delta Chi installed a chapter of twelve at Columbian University, Washington.

The July number of the *Cosmopolitan* is a remarkable example of a magazine which is excellent in every respect, and yet is sold for the insignificant price of ten cents per copy. It is splendidly illustrated, and its matter is instructive and entertaining throughout. An exceedingly interesting article is that of Mr. Chatfield-Taylor on "The Evolution of the Spaniard." The writer knows his subject thoroughly, and gives the reader the most faithful picture of the Spaniard drawn in recent times. The number contains also several very interesting short stories and helpful discussions of interest.

The next convention of Phi Gamma Delta will be held at Chicago, Oct. 28, 29 and 30 next. This date seems to be a very

good compromise between summer and winter for a fraternity convention.

The next annual convention of Phi Delta Theta will be held in Philadelphia next November.

Bro. A. B. Leamer, '95, Ohio Alpha Psi, has been re-elected principal of schools at Dakota City, Neb.

Bro. Harris Thieband, O. Alpha Psi, is engaged with his father in the manufacture of fine leather couches and chairs at Springfield, Ohio.

Beta Theta Pi. has recently taken in a local society bodily at the University of Pennsylvania, thus making the Beta chapter of that University a very large one.

Owing to lack of fraternity material and an alleged loss of standing of the school, Delta Psi has withdrawn from the University of Rochester, where its chapter was established forty-five years ago.

Theta Xi at Yale is said to be about to build a chapter house to cost over \$50,000.

Bro. Z. Barney Phillips, '95, Ohio Alpha Psi, will enter the Episcopal Seminary in New York City in the fall.

There has recently been instituted at the University of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio. a chapter of the Beta Theta Beta fraternity. It is composed of members of the Junior class chosen from the different fraternities. The chapter starts out under the most favorable auspices. There are nine members. The idea is to promote good feeling between the fraternities and to create a broader fraternity spirit. Bros. Paul R. Hickok and Raymond M. Huston are among the names of the new chapter.

After a suspension of eleven months on account of poor financial support, the *Delta* of Sigma Nu, edited by Clarence E. Woods, has lately resumed. While not up to the best standard the March number is very much superior to its predecessor, and it is to be hoped that better support will lead to continued improvement in the future.

Bros. Dave and Will White, N. C. Alpha Eta, have built a fur-

niture factory at their home Mebane N. C., capital stock \$25,000. One is president and the other secretary and treasurer of the company.

Bro. W. E. White, N. C. Alpha Eta, is vice president of the Juanita Cotton Mills, in which Bros. D. and W. White are stockholders. Bro. E. B. Barber, N. C. Xi, Raleigh, N. C., is president of the same mill.

Do any Alpha Taus ever go to Roanoke. Va.? If so do not fail to meet Bro. Ed. Lyle. He is one of the most loyal Alpha Taus—and one's zeal for A. T. O. is always stirred by the meeting. He is a prominent young lawyer and was running for city attorney when last seen. We hope the honor came his way.

It is always pleasant to meet Bro. "Fred" Burdette "on the the road." He is traveling for the American Biscuit Co., and his headquarters are at Nashville Tenn. "He is all right."

Bro. "Buck" Ruffin, N. C. Alpha Eta, is manager of Moyodan Cotton Mill Co., at Moyodan, N. C., and is a hard worker. Bro. White feared he had forgotten some of his old A. T. O. love and zeal, but when he met him four weeks ago he found him "chuck" full of it. He is one of Alpha Eta's choicest.

Calvin McAlister, N. C. Alpha Eta, is still located at Asheboro, N. C., dressing and shipping lumber, and lots of it. He is an enthusiastic Alpha Tau, wears always his badge and takes the PALM and wants the next congress in the old north state.

Bro. W. G. Bradshaw, N. C. Xi, cashier in National Bank at High Point, N. C., is the father of three little Alpha Taus. He never does things by halves.

W. Sloan Huggins, N. C. Alpha Eta, and the most enthusiastic Alpha Tau in N. C., has just graduated in medicine from Baltimore and is thinking of locating at Mebane, N. C. He deserves success and will win it wherever he locates.

The pleasantest thing we have to state for N. C. Alpha Taus is the marriage of our beloved brother, Robert Worth Bingham, N. C. Alpha Eta. Well might we congratulate the young lady. Rob is one of the most lovable characters. He is brilliant, accomplished, handsome and an Alpha Tau. What more!

The N. C. Alpha Taus are loyal and true and only need to read the PALM and meet A. T.Os. to keep their love warm.

The editor of the PALM is in receipt of cards for the wedding of that loyal Alpha Tau, Bro, L. W. Newcomer, of Polo, Ill., to Miss Alice Schell, of that place. The ceremony was performed May 26th last, at the Evangelical Lutheran church, at Polo. On behalf of the fraternity, the PALM extends the warmest congratulations and best wishes to the young couple.

Kappa Sigma has placed a chapter at the University of Kentucky. The petition for a charter has been under consideration for two years, owing to the unfriendly attitude of the University authorities. The antagonistic rules have lately been abolished. The University is located at Lexington, and was originally called Transylvania University. It was chartered in 1780, and moved to Lexington in 1788. It has now three departments, Liberal Arts, College of the Bible and a Commercial College, and has about seven or eight hundred students on its rolls.

Bro. W. T. S. Culp, '88, Ohio Alpha Nu, is taking a high rank as a popular lecturer. "Uncrowned Kings." "American Knots, Split and Unsplit" and "Manhood Enthroned" receive the highest commendations of the press throughout the country. Besides his lecture work he serves as pastor the M. E. congregation of Mantua, Ohio.

Bro. Hugh Martin, of N. Y. Beta Theta, is secretary and treasurer of the New York Alumni Association. His address is 160 Fifth avenue, New York.

The charter of the chapter of Delta Tau Delta at Franklin and Marshall College has been surrendered, owing to lack of fraternity material at that institution. It had been in existence twenty-two years.

Kappa Alpha (S.), Phi Delta Theta, and Beta Theta Pi have withdrawn their charters from Richmond college. Phi Kappa Sigma and Phi Gamma Delta are the only fraternities now represented there.

Phi Kappa Sigma has entered Washington and Lee University and Delta Upsilon has placed chapters at the University of Cali-

foria and Stanford University, while Sigma Chi has entered the University of West Virginia, where her only rivals are Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Sigma Kappa. Sigma Nu has been doing wholesale extension work, having recently placed chapters at Rose Polytechnic Institute, Albion College and North Carolina Agricultural College.

The fraternities now having chapters at the University of Chicago are Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Phi Kappa Psi and Sigma Nu.

Kappa Alpha (S.) has denied petitions for charters from Ga. School of Technology and Southwestern Baptist University.

Phi Delta Epsilon, a local fraternity at Pennsylvania, is contemplating extension work.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

SEE that every member of your chapter subscribes for the PALM. This is a strict requirement and must be enforced.

Answer all communications from Grand Officers at once. Every chapter should promptly put itself in communication with the PALM on re-assembling in the fall.

You must have a letter in each number of the PALM. Note the \$5.00 fine provided at Congress. It should contain all the news, but must be condensed as much as possible on account of the large number of chapters.

It is expected that No. 1, Vol. XVII, will appear promptly October 15th. This number will go to press October 5th. All matter should reach the editor by Oct. 1st, at the latest.

Punctuate carefully and write plainly. Be very particular about making the spelling of names legible.

Send in all the personals and clippings you can, separate from your chapter letter.

Follow the form of the heading of letters as they appear in the PALM, giving merely the name of chapter, college and town. Dates and all other superfluous matter should be omitted. An observance of this rule will save the editor much time.

Owing to the large number of chapters, chapter letters must not exceed 500 words. Bear this in mind. Never write on both sides of the sheet for publication. Such matter must be rewritten before printer will set it up.

See that your chapter's PALM dues are paid promptly in advance, for each active member. Every active member must subscribe for the PALM. This requirement must be strictly complied with. The next number will appear in the month of October, and chapter correspondents should send their letters so as to reach the editor by October 1st at the latest. The PALM will go to press October 5th.

Be a little careful about the use of superlatives and general boastfulness. Be enthusiastic, but not bombastic. Your frater-

nity is the best there is, and she does not need constant-strained panegyrics.

Be honest; be fair; be manly—in short, be an Alpha Tau in the full sense of the noble meaning of the name.

ALA. ALPHA EPSILON, ALA. POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE, AUBURN.

Commencement is over and the brothers have gone home for the summer vacation. Since our last letter we have led into the mysteries of our fraternity Bro. Keys, of Anderson, S. C., and he will prove a worthy wearer of the Maltese Cross.

Bros. Memminger, Jones, Warren and Henderson were awarded honor certificates for efficient study and standing.

We loose this year by graduation three men, Bros. Bancroft, Taylor and Henderson, two of whom were offered scholarships, Bro. Taylor in Agriculture and Bro. Henderson in the Experiment Station Library.

Bro. Memminger won the medal for oratory in the Sophomore class.

The lawn party given by our boys was a great success. The beautiful and graceful ladies who received for us were fully competent for the task, and Alpha Epsilon made many friends at the occasion.

We have a scheme that will provide a chapter house by the opening of college in September, and we long for a home of our own in which we can do much better work.

Notwithstanding the split in fraternities here and the fact that two did not take any part in the hop, it was a grand success. The whole commencement was very pleasant this year.

Wishing you all a pleasant vacation,

H. S. HENDERSON, Correspondent.

ALA. BETA BETA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, GREENSBORO.

The collegiate year is now closed and Beta Beta is left in a prosperous condition. We look with pride on our success during the past year. At the opening of the season we felt much anxiety for our chapter, but, with brother Thomas as our leader, we have resolutely overcome every obstacle. All the new brothers of our chapter have proven themselves worthy wearers of the Maltese Cross. We are in better financial condition than at the close of last year, being now entirely free from debt with the general fraternity.

We had a very delightful Commencement. The general condition of our institution is reported to be better than for several years.

We were very creditably represented in the sophomore contest by Bro. D. P. Slaughter and by Bro. Joe P. Roberts, in the Junior contest for orator's medal—Bro. Roberts' effort was masterly and he easily won the medal.

We had our regular annual banquet at the beautiful residence of Mr. Chas. Latimer. We had here quite a large Alpha Tau Omega family, about eighty guests being present. Bro. Henry D. McCarthy of Tuscaloosa, Ala., delivered the alumni address. The occasion was a most enjoyable one, and not until late did we take our departure.

With best wishes for the prosperity of the PALM and every brother in Alpha Tau Omega, we close.

I. W. HOWARD, Correspondent.

ALA. BETA DELTA, UNIV. FOALA., TUSCALOOSA.

Ala. Beta Delta again greets her sister chapters after one of the most pleasant and prosperous years in her history.

Our College does not open its doors again until Oct. 7th, but on that date every Alpha Tau who left in June will be found present, ready to resume his studies for another year.

Bro. Dremier was our only graduate this year and he carried off second honors. It is with pleasure that I announce that he will be back with us next year.

At a recent meeting of our Chapter the following officers were elected: W. M., Godfrey; W. C., Head; W. K. A., Lamkin; W. K. E., Hayes; W. S., Rickens; W. Sent., Spratt.

We shall return next year fifteen strong and with very bright prospects indeed.

With best wishes for a pleasant vacation to every Alpha Tau.

Fraternally, W. C. PICKENS, Correspondent.

GA. ALPHA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF GA., ATHENS.

One more scholastic year has come to a close, and, while we can not say that it has been the most successful one that Ga. Alpha Beta has ever passed through, we do think we have made some advances forward, and will be able to enter into next year's work with renewed strength and vigor. The following is a complete list of our members: G. G. Bond, Post Graduate; C. C. Brake, '96; W. W. Chandler, '96; J. M. Stephenson, '96; J. E. Teasley, '96; W. B. Jones, '96; J. B. Lawrence, '97; T. K. Slaughter, '97; U. B. Phillips, '97; R. E. Brown, '97; C. H. Gray, '98; Otis Jones, '98; H. R. Perkins, '98; J. H. Wynn, '99.

We will lose by graduation six of our fourteen men, which will be a great loss to the chapter; but then we think by diligent work we can take in several good men next fall and train them

up so that they will be able to take the places of the older brothers as they leave us from year to year.

Bro. Chandler graduated with fourth honor and has always been considered both by the boys and professors as one of the best students in his class. He obtained senior speaker's place on class standing.

Bro. Gray, '98, one of our new members, won a sophomore speaker's place on declamation. He received a class medal for being best debater, and won champion debater's place, an honor rarely given to a sophomore.

Bro. Perkin, '98, is among the leaders of his class.

Our next year's representative for the *Pandora* will be Bro. Brown, who also was elected Business Manager of same.

Our chapter, while it feels gratified at having these honors bestowed upon its members, also feels that it has had its share of misfortune. Three of our men were forced to leave college on account of sickness.

Bro. Lawrence, '92, than whom there is no brighter or more studious man in college, has been suffering with rheumatism for the last two months and the chapter has felt his loss very greatly, as he was one of its most active members.

Bro. Slaughter, '96, left college a few weeks ago on account of his eyes, but all of the boys look forward to his joining us next year with gold glasses, walking cane and, in all probability, a beaver hat.

Bro. Brake, '96, after having stood one of his finals, was taken down with fever and could do no more. He it was who had the toughest luck of us all. However, he has been assured his A. B. diploma if he only stands nominal examinations this summer.

That peace, harmony and prosperity may rest upon each and every chapter is the sincere desire of Ga. Alpha Beta.

R. E. BROWN, Correspondent.

GEORGIA ALPHA ZETA, MERCER UNIVERSITY, MACON.

Alpha Zeta has, although she had only two sons to fight her battles at the beginning of the term that has just closed at old Mercer, enjoyed a year of prosperity. At the close of college we had ten active members. We lost only two by graduation, Bros. Farrell and Sears. Bro. Farrell, who graduated with second honor in the law class, will locate at Milledgeville, Ga., and Bro. Sears, at Kissimmee, Fla. Both of these brothers have what is in store for each and every true Alpha Tau, who lives up to the teachings of our noble order—a bright and happy future. Our chapter bids them "God speed."

We hope to have the remaining eight back next fall to work for the advancement of our beloved fraternity.

Alpha Zeta, during '93, '94, and '95, suffered somewhat for the lack of men, which, however, was not due to the disloyalty of the few, but for the lack of Alpha Tau material at college. This cannot be avoided when we live up to our motto of "Quality and not quantity." Her outlook for the next year, I am proud to say, is very good, and we hope and trust that it will be one of her many prosperous years.

Let us all remember that during our summer vacation is the time to work for our chapters and let us not fail to take advantage of the golden opportunity.

Wishing all the sister chapters a pleasant summer and much success to the PALM.

H. E. GLASS, Correspondent.

GA. BETA IOTA, SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY, ATLANTA.

Beta Iota now finds herself once more at the close of another year, and now she extends greeting to all her sister chapters. Dering the past ten months Beta Iota has worked hard and she has accomplished a great deal during this year. Although she has only one graduate she has done honor to her fraternity, college and self.

June, '95, Beta Iota wore many colors which her graduates honored her with, and at the opening of the term of September, '95, she was small but strong, nine being her number of active members, but before January, '96, she had grown up to thirteen in number, and at the close of this term she finds herself full grown, with sixteen hard-working men on the roll

Bro. Alex. Whitney, of Augusta, the only graduate we will have this year, has crowned himself with honors. We are not only proud of him, but our college is also proud to graduate such a noble and upright man as Bro. Whitney, and it is well known that he is the most popular man by far in college.

Although our number has not reached the average of preceding years, the chapter has fully made up for it by hard work and much enthusiasm, and Beta Iota has enjoyed a most prosperous year.

During the year our chapter hall has been remodeled and refurnished and we now have a hall of which we may well be proud.

In regard to college representation, Beta Iota may be said to have her usual full share. On the ball team we are ably represented by Bro. Whitney (captain) and Bros. McCall, Everett and James, while Bros. Van Den, Corput and Nash are editors on the college paper, "*The Georgia Tech.*"

During the fall term Beta Iota sustained a heavy loss by the resignation of I. S. Hopkins from the presidency of our college. However, during spring term Dr. Wm. H. Emerson, Professor of Chemistry, was enrolled with the wearers of the Maltese Cross, so that we still have two brothers on the faculty.

Many of our brothers left college during the year, but the majority of them expect to be in their old places next term.

When this is taken into consideration, with the fact that we lose only one man by graduation, a large and enthusiastic chapter may safely be promised for next year. At the close of this term we have twelve active members, and during this past year have held eight initiations during the year.

Wishing the greatest success to our fraternity everywhere this year, and with best wishes to all our brothers. we remain fraternally,

T. F. JAMES, Correspondent.

IND. GAMMA GAMMA, ROSE POLYTECHNIC INST., TERRE HAUTE.

The school year of '95 and '96 closed with our commencement on June 18th, when our six Senior brothers received sheepskins. Those graduating are Bros. Smith, Hunt, Sinks, Sanborn, Liggett and Decker. Bro. Sanborn received the Hemmingway gold medal for the highest standing in the entire four years' course, an honor which Bro. Troxler took in the class of '95. Bro. Decker was also president of the graduating class. We have been represented this year on the track team by Bros. Decker, Liggett, Ingham and Crebs, and on the base ball team by Bro. Liggett. We have recently initiated two new men, whom we wish to introduce to the fraternity; they are Bro. A. Balsley, '92, of Terre Haute and Bro. Ingham, '99, of Wyoming. This increases our chapter roll to eighteen, twelve of whom we hope will return next fall.

Bro. Balsley is our first "frater in Urbe," but we will certainly do well to increase that number if we get as good a man each time as the first.

W. B. RYDER, JR., Correspondent.

LA. BETA EPSILON, TULANE UNIVERSITY, NEW ORLEANS.

In the annals of Tulane University the recent commencement will be recorded as most brilliant and interesting. As a social affair it was a grand success, and the fashionable audiences which attended the various exercises were well entertained. On class day Alpha Tau Omega was represented by Bros. Allan Eustis and Rathbone DeBuys. These brothers have taken a prominent stand in the affairs of the University and it is with sincere regret that we part with them. Bro. Eustis will enter Harvard, where

we have no doubt he will win honor for the fraternity. For Bro. DeBuys we predict the greatest success.

Among the events which have lately evoked enthusiasm in the ranks of Alpha Tau Omega was the initiation of three new members, won after a hard, but honorable combat. With a sense of pride, we introduce to the fraternity at large Bros Charles Matthews, Millard Bosworth and Edgar Woods, all of New Orleans. Although persistently solicited by other fraternities, an honor which they appreciated, they finally decided to cast their lot with the Alpha Taus.

At our last meeting the following officers we elected to serve us:

W. M., James Nixon; W. C., James Butler; W. S., Walter De Buys; W. K. A., Huger Elliott; W. K. E., Jules Butler; W. U., Ridgley Finley; W. Sent., Charles Eshleman.

Wishing success to all Alpha Taus,

RUSSELL ALLEN, Correspondent.

MASS. GAMMA BETA, TUFTS COLLEGE, MEDFORD.

Our college has just closed the most prosperous year of its existence, and I think the same may be said of our chapter. We were rather unfortunate at the first of the year, in losing a few of our best men, but we soon regained and even increased the strength of our footing by initiating some very excellent men. In looking back over the year's work, we can hardly see a department in which we were not represented, and this we feel justly proud of, as many of the older fraternities can not say as much. Our chapter now numbers about twenty, and it is safe to say that we will return to college in the fall as strong as any of our rivals.

But for all the pleasant outlook, a feeling of sadness comes over us all when we part with brothers who have been constantly associated with us during their whole college course. We lose four brothers by graduation, one of whom, Bro. Eddy, left us during the winter, all of whom will be greatly missed. Their thoughtfulness and careful consideration has helped us through many a trying ordeal and lent steadiness to the chapter, which makes us feel more keenly our loss now.

Bro. Eddy is already preaching in the West.

Bro. Maguire will continue his studies at either Columbia or Ann Arbor in the law school.

Bro. Corridan will go into business, and Bro. Dillon, who received a commencement part, will study law at Ann Arbor.

Our baseball team has just closed a rather unsuccessful sea

son, but for all we were largely represented on it, we cannot feel that any discredit is reflected on the chapter, for every one in college feels that each man did his best. But as a financial venture it was a marked success, due to the enterprising efforts of Bro. Dillon as manager. He remitted a considerable balance to the Athletic Association, something which has never been known before at Tufts.

At the election of officers for the next half year, the following brothers were elected:

W. M., Richardson, '97; W. Chap., Avery, '98; W. K. E., Randlett, '97; W. K. A., Russell, '97; W. Scribe, Curran, '99; W. Usher, Parke, '98; W. Sent., Browning, '97.

With best wishes for all our sister chapters for the coming year.

GEO. A. HARWOOD, Correspondent.

ME. BETA UPSILON, STATE COLLEGE, ORONO.

Since our last letter to the PALM Beta Upsilon has enjoyed her annual reception and banquet, an event which was looked forward to with great pleasure and whose success excelled our utmost expectation. We felt much pride in the appearance of our chapter house, as it is the best of any fraternity at Maine State, and was beautifully decorated for the occasion.

In the evening, after a very enjoyable feast, the following toasts were responded to, Bro. F. A. Hobbs acting very ably as toast-master:

"Fraternity Life in Prospective," H. H. Oswald; "Fraternity Life in Retrospective," F. E. Weymouth; "De Wimmen," F. J. Libbey; "Growth and Strength of our Chapter," Lindsay Duncan; "Our Alumni," M. F. Rollins; "Our Guiding Principles," C. A. Pearce; "Chapter Policy," Clarence Scott; "Beta Upsilon in Athletics," W. L. Holyoke; "The Future of Our Chapter," H. G. Robinson; "Chapter in College," E. E. Kidder; "A Chapter House," H. C. Farrell.

The toasts were not intended to be very humorous, but rather talks on the way in which we could better strengthen our chapter and advance the interests of Alpha Tau. We received much advice and encouragement from them.

The occasion was also made a general reunion of the alumni of Beta Upsilon, who, although as yet small in numbers, are strong in enthusiasm for the advancement of our beloved fraternity.

This Commencement we have enjoyed a visit from Bro. E. A. Hancock, Beta Upsilon, '96, who is at present in New Hampshire State College.

During this last term, Alpha Tau in Maine State has secured more than her share of honors; Bros. Hobbs, '96, and Weymouth, '96, representing us on the stage, Bros. Holyoke and Leavitte, in the Junior Prize Theme Contest. Of the latter, Bro. Leavitte, who is our W. M. for next term, won the first prize.

In the freshman class Bro. Oswald won the Freshman Mathematical Prize.

Bro. Farrell was captain of this year's Varsity ball team, and Bros. Libbey and Dolley officiated at first and second base, respectively.

The outlook for future success is very bright, and we hope to see the new directory out next year. With best wishes to the members of our grand fraternity.

PHILLIP C. JACK, Correspondent.

ME. GAMMA ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY, WATERVILLE.

Maine Gamma Alpha has enjoyed a very prosperous school year. Early in the fall we initiated five men good and true, and they have been much help to the fraternity. We lose by graduation this year two men, Bros. Pike and Burton. Bro. Pike was one of the editors of the *Oracle*, our college annual, and Brother Burton played center field on the 'Varsity ball team. One game of ball is particularly worthy of mention. One day Bates College crossed bats with us on the diamond after four successive victories over teams in the Maine College League. Three home runs materially aided Colby's score and Bates was defeated 7-6. This closed the league games in a way gratifying to us all.

Brother Williams, '97, has been absent this term teaching in Clinton.

In athletics in the college Gamma Alpha is well represented. On our college field day Bro. Clement, '97, obtained the best individual record, with 13 points. Bro. Ely, '98, won first in the two mile run. with Brother Clement, '97, second and Bro. Nutt, '98, third. Besides this, Bro Clement won first in the mile and first in the half mile. and Bro. Spear, '99, won third in the 220 yards' dash. At the intercollegiate meet Bro. Clement won third in the half-mile run.

Bros. Caswell, Kidder and Ellis, of Beta Upsilon, are in the city and will be here during Commencement. We have four men already pledged for next year and will start in the fall with twelve active members.

Wishing success to the fraternity everywhere and especially to the PALM,

J. L. DYER, Correspondent.

MICH. BETA KAPPA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE, HILLSDALE.

Since our last report Beta Kappa has initiated two excellent men, C. E. DePew and E. V. DePew, both of Wolf Lake, Ind. This makes our total active membership seventeen. We loose three by graduation, Bros. W. H. North, C. W. Whitney and Wm. Ambler.

Among the recent honors, Beta Kappa has received her full share. Bro. North gave the valedictory for the Seniors on Class Day. Bro. H. T. McDonald has been editor-in-chief of the *Collegian* for next year.

In the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Hillsdale won first in the number of points and carried off the baseball cup. Bro. C. W. Whitney now holds three M. I. A. A. records.

At a recent meeting of the trustees, Pres. Harvey, of Benzie college, was chosen as the head of the German department which was left vacant by the resignation of Miss Deering, the lady principal, and Miss Sloan, of the Lansing schools, takes Miss Deering's place as lady principal.

Our prospects for next year are exceptionally flattering. We expect to start in with fourteen men. Financially, we are in a prosperous condition, being practically free from debt and in a condition to lay up some money for future use.

Fraternally, A. L. KITCHEN, Correspondent.

N. C. ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER, UNIV. OF N. C., CHAPEL HILL.

With happy hearts we greet you every one and "pray a glad-some holiday" to all.

June 1st closes our days of toil for this session, and then we must part, perhaps never to see each other again, but God forbid this to be. Our little band of four has been remarkably successful in all its undertakings during the past year, and we stand today with the brightest hopes of a flourishing chapter next fall, one not too large, for this completely does away with the fraternity ideal, as has been clearly demonstrated by several instances in our own college, but with a chapter where each Brother is in unison with his fellow-brother and the *true* fraternal feeling exists. At one time our prospect for the coming year was very gloomy indeed, but, by the timely aid of several of our alumni, we have been "put upon our feet" once more.

In athletics this season our base-ball team has excelled all previous records, and we now stand among the first in this department of out-door sports—Yale, Hobart, Lafayette and Virginia all yielded before our giants of the diamond.

With best wishes to every true Alpha Tau, we bid you adieu for the summer.

LAWRENCE McRAE, Correspondent.

N. C. ALPHA CHI, TRINITY COLLEGE, DURHAM.

Since our last correspondence to the PALM our Chapter has made two initiates, Bro. W. A. Horne and Bro. J. M. Flowers. It is with great pleasure that we present these new Brothers to the fraternity at large.

We have had both a pleasant and profitable year in every respect. While we are still in a sense *sub rosa*, we have had no trouble in having our meetings. Taking advantage of the fact that the trustees have forbidden Fraternities in the College, the non-fraternity men organized and tried to force the existing fraternities to give up their charters. At present it seems that organizing was the most that they did.

Two of our members, Bro. E. J. Green and your correspondent, graduated this year and will not be in college next term. Bro. W. A. Horne has also left. He has a position as manager of a Railroad office in Atlanta, and, from all that we learn, is doing well. All the other Brothers will return or be in Durham next year to look after the interests of A. T. O. The prospects for next year are brighter than ever before. With best wishes from N. C. Alpha Chi to all Alpha Taus,

R. A. MOYER, Correspondent.

N. Y. ALPHA OMICRON, ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY, CANTON.

The school year is drawing to a close and it finds Alpha Omicron in a prosperous condition. This year she sends seven men out to fight the battles of life, but keeps seventeen true and loyal brothers to fight her own. Two of our men graduate with distinction while some of the others are honor men. The class of '96 have made several innovations during their course, the latest being the introduction of the cap and gown at graduation. At the Senior Class Day exercises, we have President, Orator and Poet.

Bro. Dolan has lately been elected President of the Senior Class.

Bro. Cummings, '98, was recently elected Leader of the Banjo and Mandolin Clubs for the ensuing year. Bro. Cummings is an artist of ability and will fill the office of leader most creditably.

On the Varsity Base Ball team we have five men, not including the manager, who is Bro. Austin.

At the last Annual Field Day, Bro. Terry, '98, who holds our college record for the 220 yds. dash, won the 100 yds. dash medal, the running belt and the second individual prize; while Bro. Stevens secured first place in two of the bicycle races. A few days ago Bro. Terry attended the annual Field Day of the Potsdam State Normal School, winning first place in the 100 yds.

dash and the quarter-mile run, making a record of ten seconds in the former event. Bro. Terry is a fast runner and with the training which our new gymnasium will afford when completed, we shall expect a general slash at our college records.

Bro. G. H. Partridge represents us on the Alumni Ball Committee.

An attempt is being made by the students to raise Bro. R. D. Ford, M. S., present instructor in Mathematics and Natural Science, to the Professorship in his department. Bro. Ford graduated from St. Lawrence in '84 and from Johns Hopkins later. He is a man of eminent ability and has had many prominent positions offered him. It is hoped he will remain with us.

The chapter house problem at present engages our attention. We have lived in a rented house for three years, the lease of which expires in September. Our plan is to re-rent for another year or two, at the end of which time our own house will be erected. Negotiations have been going on and are completed by which the most beautiful site in the village of Canton has been secured for the location of our hall. It is just outside the college campus and commands a magnificent view of the Little River, the most picturesque scenery to be found for miles around. We will not at this stage discuss the plans for the house. We will simply remark that they are not inferior to the location, and so far as we know, in magnificence will not be outstripped by anything of like nature yet to be found in the fraternity.

In this connection it may not be out of place to remark the great gratification it gives us to read the reports of sister chapters and to find the mark of prosperity upon all of them. Surely our sense of pride is justified when we consider what earnest, faithful work has accomplished. We should congratulate ourselves on having at our head so able a leader and so true a brother as Dr. Glazebrook.

With best wishes to all brothers we close this our last report for the year. Fraternally,

G. H. PARTRIDGE, Correspondent.

N. Y. BETA THETA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA.

The University has closed and, with the exception of a few who will remain to take work in the Summer School, the members of this Chapter have left Ithaca to enjoy the well earned rest of the long vacation.

As mentioned in the annual report, we lost eight men by graduation; this reduces our working force to fifteen, with which we expect to start the year next fall. But it is quite possible

that three of the '96 men will return to the University in the fall for advanced work.

For next year we have already pledged seven men, so that Beta Theta has at present very bright prospects for next year.

We are pleased to learn that Bro. Andrews, '95, who has been in Greece the past year on a traveling fellowship, has been reappointed, and will hold the fellowship another year.

Bro. Chas. Rogers sails for London the first of July, where he will be employed as Mechanical Engineer by a large manufacturer of mining machinery.

We will be in our present quarters another year at least, but are looking forward to the time when we shall own a home. Our efforts are not without good results, and we hope for the accomplishment of our purpose in the near future.

F. R. BUMP, Correspondent.

OHIO ALPHA NU, MT. UNION COLLEGE, ALLIANCE.

The college year now drawing to a close has been a very successful and pleasant one for Alpha Nu, and the future looks promising indeed,

Owing to the fact that at Mt. Union there are four regular terms of school each year, commencement coming late in July, we will be somewhat late in sending out our annual reports. We are glad to notice the many marks of prosperity in the reports of the Chapters—we have received reports from nearly all—and we believe that Alpha Tau Omega has just lived her most prosperous year.

Since our last letter we have initiated six new men and take pleasure in introducing them to Alpha Taus. They are Bros. A. J. Fry, '97; E. J. Wightman, '98; L. C. Dix, '98; G. E. Allott, '99; J. A. Clement, '99, and J. H. Clement, '99.

The class of '96 takes from us seven brothers,—Johns, Marsh, Norton, Korns, Fast, Stratton and Slusser. Bros. Johns, Marsh and Norton will spend next year at some professional school. Bro. Fast will preach, and Bro. Stratton will have charge of the Dep't. of Music at Dalton Female College, Dalton, Ga.

The present active chapter numbers twenty-two members all of whom are doing excellent work in the class-room, and are receiving the greater share of honors at our college.

At the next commencement at Mt. Union, we expect to claim not a few of the honors that will be dealt out during that week.

Our standing in the city and in the college is all that is desired. Besides the brothers in college, we have fourteen brothers residing in the city, whom people know to be Alpha Tau, among whom are a state senator, the president of a manufacturing con

cern of world-wide repute, and the city solicitor of Alliance. In college we are the only frat represented on the faculty. Bro. Norton is president of the class '96. Bro. Caskey is president and Bro. Slusser is V. president of the Whittier association. Bro. Hershey is president and Bro. Dufford secretary of the Oratorical association. Bro. Johns is Bus. Mgr. for the year and Bro. Marsh, editor-in-chief for the last half year of the "*Dynamo*" our college paper. Bro. Marsh is Bus. Mgr. and Bro. Johns, one of the associate Editors of the "*Unonian*," the college annual. Bro. Marsh is captain and Bro. Norton, lieutenant, of the Battalion. Bro. Slusser will represent the Linnaean Society as its orator in the annual contest between the literary societies. Bro. Norris will represent the Republican society in debate in the annual contest. Although we lose seven men by graduation yet the fifteen brothers who will return next fall will do their teir best to maintain Alpha Tau's high standing.

We send greetings to all Alpha Taus.

D. J. BOONE, Correspondent.

OHIO ALPHA PSI, WITTENBERG COLLEGE, SPRINGFIELD.

School has closed for the summer and once again the members of Alpha Psi are enjoying the delights of vacation. Though the chapter lost three members by graduation, yet all three expect to return for work in the Theological department. Commencement week, with all its pleasurable events, has come and gone. Surely this is the pleasantest time of the year, when we can meet our former brothers and hear of what they are doing in life. How we are delighted at the reminiscences of the college life so dear to their hearts, and almost always sure to be told when two or more are gathered together in the Chapter Hall. This surely has been the banner year in the history of our college. The largest enrollment that there has ever been in its history was here during the past year, it being 514 in all departments, Theological, Collegiate, Academical, Musical and Art. The graduating clrss numbered 44 young men and women. "In the productions given on class day," to quote from one of Springfield's dalies, "we were able to see a high order of intelligence shown by the members of the class who performed, and the institution can well be proud of the class of '96." Our chapter was represented on Class Day by Bro. Schmitt, who delivered the class prophecy.

The commencement orator was the Hon. P. S. Grosscup, U.S. District Judge of Chicago, an alumnus of the college, belonging to the class of '72. The class has his oration in press, expecting to get it out for the benefit not only of the class but also of the

friends and alumni of the institution. One of the city papers, the *Springfield Republic-Times*, devoted a whole page to a sketch of the life of Wittenberg's illustrious son, together with his oration.

The institution was somewhat surprised during commencement week at the appearance of Theta Nu Epsilon in our midst. The fact, however, had been known for sometime by fraternity men that the movement for a charter to be granted some of the men here was on foot. However, it was thought that it would not be granted until next year. Bro. Frank Baughman, '98, is our representative, and one of the charter members.

We were greatly pleased to see the appearance of our state catalogue, and extend our Brother, Wm. Bass, a vote of thanks for the efficient work done on it. It is truly a verp pretty book. This is surely a good move and will no doubt assist the W.G.K.A. materially in his work on the General Directory, which we trust will soon be published. Why could not other states publish a state directory? This would lessen the great work of our W. G. K. A. and in a short time enable him to edit the General Directory with comparatively little work.

Rev. O. D. Battzley, one of our brothers belonging to the class of '93, was recently married to Miss Iva Taylor, at Galion, O. A car-load of Bro. Battzley's parishioners from Springfield were in attendance. We wish them much joy and God-speed on their voyage of life.

Bro, Wallace House, who is studying medicine in New York, recently received a very valuable prize for efficient work done by him during the year. On the evening of May 29, the chapter initiated Bro. G. A. Christen into the mysteries of our most glorious brotherhood. The chapter expects to be able to present the names of several others initiates next fall. We close this our last letter for the year with the hope that A. T. O. may ever continue in the success that has attended her every effort.

Fraternally GEORGE BOHON SCHMITT, Correspondent.

O. BETA ETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, DELAWARE.

Owing to a misunderstanding, Ohio Beta Eta did not greet her sister chapters of A. T. O. in the last PALM, but this must not be taken as an indication of disinterestedness on the part of our chapter in the grand old fraternity of which we have the honor to be a part.

This year has been an unusually successful one for our chapter. Last September, when College opened, our chapter roll contained the names of twelve active members. We have received two brothers by affiliation, viz.—Bro. P. M. Buck, of Penn. Alpha Upsilon, and Bro. Wallace E. Miller, of Ohio Alpha Psi.

We have initiated seven good men since September and take great pleasure in consequence, in presenting as our new brothers the following.—Bros. H. B. Boss, A. P. Temple, C. W. Phifer, W. F. Smith, S. K. Mahon, B. E. Taylor and Waldo E. Ayer, First Lieut. U. S. Infantry, who has charge of the Cadet Battalion of our college.

We have maintained our position in the fore front of the Hellenic hosts of the O. W. U., and we pride ourselves on being counted as "all around men."

We lose three brothers by graduation, viz., Bros. W. R. Bass, E. O. DeCamp, and H. W. Bradshaw, and their absence will be greatly felt next year.

Many honors have come to us this year, among which may be counted the editor-in-chief of the *College Transcript*, vice president of the Athletic Association. President of the Glee Club, president of the Tennis Association and president of the Chrestomathean Literary Society.

Bro. DeCamp was one of the fifteen honor speakers at commencement.

We close the year with feelings of satisfaction as to our successes, but with the realization that much work remains to be done to maintain our high position.

WALTER B. PEARSON, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA MU, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER, WOOSTER.

• The last term of the year was a very busy one for all of the brothers, yet it was also one most enjoyable and successful. In spite of the many temptations to "cut," the boys kept faithfully at work and have made a record in every in which we can take pride.

Looking back over the year, Beta Mu can feel that if she does not stand on the high plane of the leading fraternity in Wooster, at least she occupies a plane as high as any, with the brightest of prospects.

Bro. Merrill was compelled to leave school a few weeks before the close of the term and gave the boys and their friends a farewell party, which was one of the most enjoyable social occasions of the year. In May the chapter gave a reception to their friends at the hospitable home of Bro. Limmerman, on Beall avenue. Invited guests to the number of seventy-five were present, and the fine old mansion was a scene of beauty. At this function, the society event of the year in college circles, Beta Mu presented to the Greek world a new brother, Charles C. Connell, a prominent young attorney of Lisbon, O., whom we elected to honorary membership. We can confidently assure Alpha Tau's

that in Bro. Connell they will find a talented and worthy brother, and one who will reflect credit on our noble order.

We had men on all the class base ball teams: on the Freshman team, which won the class championships were Bros. Ab Jones and Vasey. Bro. Ab Jones was also on the Varsity ball team.

At the Mt. Union game we had the pleasure of a brief visit from Bros. Davis and Whitehill, of Alpha Mu.

Bros. Paul Hickok and Huston were elected to Beta Delta Beta the Junior inter-fraternity society.

At commencement Bro. H. B. Work, '93, now prominent in educational circles and principal of the Wooster High School, was honored by the faculty in being chosen to deliver the Master's Oration for his class, and it is hardly necessary to add that Bro. Work's efforts did credit to himself and to his chapter.

For the first commencement in three sessions we have had brothers graduate; with the class of '99 we lost Bros. H. G. Jones and D. W. Wylie. Bro. Wylie was chosen by his class to deliver the Senior oration at the "Pipe of Peace" ceremonies. The chapter feels very greatly the loss of these two brothers who have always been most loyal and earnest Alpha Tau's and have made their influence felt, not only in their fraternity, but in all college circles.

Beta Mu wishes all brothers a happy vacation, and hopes for continued success in the future as in the past. With best wishes to the PALM, I am,

Yours in the bonds of Alpha Tau Omega,

HOWARD D. PRITCHARD, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA RHO, MARIETTA COLLEGE, MARIETTA.

One more year is completed and its events are now but pleasant memories. Though we have not accomplished all that we wished and strove for, we have not labored in vain. Beta Rho's advance in this respect with the other fraternities and in the good will of the student body has been very great. She is today the most popular fraternity in college. She has been ably represented in the class room and on the athletic field. She has received her share of offices and honors.

Commencement passed off much as usual. The noticeable features were the small number of alumni who were present and the excellence of the addresses. Some of the best men of the country were among the speakers.

Beta Rho gave a small dance in the chapel hall at the close of the term. The affair was an enjoyable one. The annual banquet was given June 18th. It was one of the most noteworthy in the

chapter's history, although we were disappointed by the detention of several of our alumni who expected to be with us.

Bro. Charles Sayre has just completed a course of Pharmacy at Northwestern University, Chicago. He took second place in a class of one hundred and sixty-four. He expects to pass the summer at Marietta.

Bro. J. W. Crooks has accepted a summer position on the *Marietta Register*. He has just received second prize for Junior essays.

Bro. G. P. Deshler has been reappointed principal of the McConnellsville, Ohio, schools.

Bro. H. E. Sloan has completed the first year of his course in medicine. He stood first in his class for the year's work. He is in his father's, Dr. E. Sloan's, office for the summer.

President John W. Simpson of the college has resigned. For some time there has been growing dissatisfaction at his management of affairs and his resignation was asked for.

F. B. MCKINNEY, Correspondent.

OHIO BETA OMEGA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS.

The year just closed has been a most successful one to Beta Omega. Although we lose five of our leading members, we expect twelve members at the beginning of the fall term. The class of 1896 was composed of 117 members, the largest class in the history of the University.

In the 'frat,' championship base-ball games, the Alpha Tau team had no trouble in taking first honors. The game with the Chi Phi team decided the championship, the score being 22 to 12 in favor of Alpha Tau Omega.

Bro. Reed H. Game, '96, will, in all probability enter the University law school next year. He was one of our strongest members and we earnestly hope he will be with us again next year.

Bro. W. E. Watson, '96, who graduated this year in Electrical Engineering has an excellent position with the Brush Electric Company of Cleveland, O.

Bro. C. A. Radcliffe, '95, has closed a most successful year as instructor in History and Political Science in the Wisconsin State Normal School.

Bro. Walter Synder, '97, (Law) was recently unanimously elected president of the Dramatic Club for next year.

Bro. Fred Mundhenk, '96, the champion college bicyclist of the state, easily sustained his reputation, both in the local and in the state field day. In the local field day he broke the world's collegiate record for the two mile handicap.

Bro. Mundhenk expects to take graduate work in France and Germany next year.

Bro. Oliver P. Fritchle, '96, (Science) will probably return to the O. S. U. in a year or two to complete the course in Electrical Engineering. He has a position as chemist in a steel plant at Stubenville, O., for the coming year.

A feature of commencement week was the dedication of the Emerson McMillan Observatory. The Observatory is certainly provided with an excellent equipment and opens a new field of work which cannot be equaled in the many Universities in Ohio. A fellowship of \$300.00 per year has also been given by Mr. McMillan.

Ground has already been broken for the Gymnasium and Auditorium which will cost \$120,000 and also for the Townsend Agricultural Hall, which will cost \$60,000. They will both be ready for occupancy by the holidays.

W. B. KIRKPATRICK, Correspondent.

PA. ALPHA IOTA, MUHLENBERG, ALLENTOWN.

Pa. Alpha Iota has just passed through a very successful commencement week. Six of our brothers received the degree of A. B., viz., M. S. Hottenstein, S. H. Henry, F. E. Cooper, P. Z. Strodach, G. T. Spang and J. J. Schindel. Bro. Hottenstein received first honor, was awarded the Amos Ettinger Honor medal and delivered the valedictory. Bro. Cooper took third honor and was appointed to deliver the Philosophical Oration. Bros. Henry and Schindel received Honorable Mention and were appointed as orators for commencement day. In addition to the above honors, Bro. Cooper received the Butler's Analogy prize and Bro. J. H. Sykes, '97, was awarded the Physical Culture prize. On the evening of commencement day, June 18, the chapter held a very enjoyable "smoker" in the chapter rooms. The brothers have left for their summer vacation and all the undergraduates will return next fall. With best wishes to Alpha Taus for an enjoyable summer. Fraternally,

JERE J. SCHINDEL, Correspondent.

PENNA. TAU, UNIV. OF PA., PHILADELPHIA.

Through a mistake in the time when the last letter from our chapter should have been sent in. Penna. Tau was not represented in our last PALM.

Since this is to be the last letter in this collegiate year it seems proper to us to make our letter a brief resume of the history of the chapter during the past year,

Many changes have occurred during the year, most of which were, we think, for the benefit of the chapter.

We can say assuredly that the chapter has made most excellent progress, having started with only a small number of active men and at the end of the year we are now able to count at roll call twenty-one loyal fellows.

The policy of the chapter in the selection of men has been at all times, quality, and not quantity, which policy has been carried out to the letter.

The chapter has lost during the year three men; one by death, another went to a Southern college, and the other left college on account of failing health.

The pleasures which we enjoyed during the year have been quite numerous. Foremost among them all was that of two visits from our most Worthy Grand Chief, Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook. His presence always brought encouragement to renewed energy and also good reports of the splendid progress Alpha Tau Omega has made all over the country.

Another pleasant occasion was the annual banquet of the chapter at the Collonade Hotel early in April. At that banquet sat twenty-four good, loyal Alpha Taus, headed by our Worthy Grand Chief, and his most worthy co-worker, Bro. N. Wiley Thomas, chairman of the High Council. Mirth and joy ran high and the occasion went down in our history as an event long to be remembered.

The honors achieved by Tau chapter sons have not been missing, either in University hall or on athletic field.

Bro. Blair represented Penna, as left half-back on the victorious Varsity foot ball team of season of '95. Bro. Wunder had the honor of being the best pitcher on the Varsity base ball team of the season of '96.

Bro. George E. Thomas won the \$20 prize offered by the Priestly Club of the University. Bro. Fulmer won honors in all examinations in first year, Law department.

This year we lose by graduation Bro. Blair from medical department; Bro. Thomas, from college department, and Bro. Daggett, from architecture. The places of these men will be hard to fill.

Our most recent initiate is Bro. G. Potter, whom we feel honored in introducing to Alpha Taus.

During the year we have had the pleasure of visits from quite a number of Bro's from other chapters. Brothers will always find a hearty welcome at the home of Penna Tau chapter.

For the success of our order our best wishes go forth.

P. D. HOOVER, Correspondent.

R. I. GAMMA DELTA, BROWN UNIVERSITY, PROVIDENCE.

Commencement is over and R. I. Gamma Delta has much to rejoice over and much to regret. As we look back over the past year and recall the victories which have been won for the University and fraternity we cannot help feeling gratified at the showing which has been made. But when we think of the six loyal men who have left our ranks, four of them, I believe, charter members, all of them men who have done much to place the chapter where it now is, and whose achievements in athletics and scholarship we have all been proud of, then it is that we have a feeling of regret. We lose this year Bros. McComber, Nott, Coghill, Kempton, Horton and Miner.

At Commencement we were represented in the orations by Bro. Coghill, who acquitted himself very creditably. Bros. Walker and Fuller contested in the Carpenter Prize Declamation and Bro. Walker secured second prize.

Class Day of '96 will be long remembered, for it is the first time that Alpha Tau has had a spread. Everything passed off nicely. The rooms were very prettily decorated and compared favorably with the other fraternities.

Since our last letter we have continued to hold our position in athletics. At the Annual Meet of the New Eng. Inter-Collegiate Amateur Athletic Ass'n Bro. O'Brien won first place in the 100 and 220 yd. dashes and Bro. Coombs, second place in the hammer throw. At the Inter-Collegiate Meet in New York we were represented by Bros. McComber and O'Brien, having two of the three men who represented Brown.

JOHN H. DEMING, Correspondent.

S. C. ALPHA PHI, S. C. COLLEGE, COLUMBIA.

This has been a year full of misfortunes for us. Three of our number have withdrawn on account of sickness, and we are now left with only four men at the close of the session. But our prospects for next year are very encouraging, as we will have at least five brothers back at the opening next Fall. We regret to say that we lose by graduation Bro. W. T. Green of the law class. We are glad to say that in a recent contest Bro. Mikell won the medal offered for declamation. All of our men have taken good stands in their classes this year, and have been prominent in all college affairs.

We close with best wishes to the PALM and all sister chapters.

W. H. ALLEN, Correspondent.

TENN. ALPHA TAU, S. W. P. UNIVERSITY, CLARKSVILLE.

With the close of this term, Alpha Tau Omega closes another successful year's work in the Southwestern Presbyterian University. Beginning at the first of the year with eight men, we soon increased our number to fourteen. We held regular meetings every Saturday night in which the spirit of A. T. O. enthusiasm would always show itself, and the greatest congeniality always prevailed. We keep several games in our hall, such as crinkole, drafts, etc., and while the meetings were not in session the brothers would amuse themselves at these games, while some furnished music for the crowd. We thus made our meetings most delightful and such that they will long be remembered as some of the most happy hours of our college life.

We had with us during Commencement Bros. W. J. Caldwell, of Greenwood, Miss.; W. L. Caldwell, of Memphis, Tenn., and F. P. Caldwell, of Springfield, Ky., all of whom are members of this chapter and in whose hearts there is still a warm place for Alpha Tau Omega.

We also had the pleasure of having with us at Commencement Bro. W. L. Frierson, of Chattanooga, who had been chosen to deliver the address before the Alumni of the institution. Bro. Frierson is as yet a young man but is fast becoming prominent as a lawyer in Chattanooga and is very highly thought of by the people of that city. His speech before the Alumni was on the present political situation, and the speaker proved himself to be a man of very mature judgment.

Prospects for A. T. O. in the S. W. P. University are bright. Several of us leave this year not to return next year, but we expect to have about eight men back, who will do good work here for Alpha Tau Omega.

Wishing for every A. T. O. a most pleasant vacation, we close
HUGH S. CALDWELL, Correspondent.

TENN. OMEGA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH SEWANEE.

Since last writing, Tenn. Omega has been enjoying a prosperous but quiet Spring. We have no initiations to announce, but instead will mention some of our Alumni who are with us for the Summer. Bro. F. E. Shoup is in Sewanee for the Summer, taking a special course in the University. He was one of Tenn. Omega's prominent men when he was a regular attendant of the university and we are glad to have him with us. Bro. R. W. B. Elliott, M. A., '94, is with us for the summer and we expect later Bros. A. R. Shepherd, Grant Shepherd and Conness Shepherd, who were prominent on the foot ball field in their day. Bro. Kimbrough, "our Artist," expects to visit us for a short while

this summer and Bros. W. W. and H. E. Memminger are also summering on the mountain. Tenn. Omega is particularly fortunate in one respect. In the summer Sewanee is the trysting point of Sewanee's best alumni and, as we lay claim to a goodly proportion of these men, every year some of the old stand-bys of the chapter are with us again. These men always take a great interest in the Chapter's affairs and when, as is the case at the Grammar School commencement, any rushing is needed they are foremost in the fray.

The Grammar School commencement was mentioned. In most respects it is like all such affairs, speeches, histories, essays and diplomas. But after these is the fun. The newly graduated, when the exercises are over, march in military rank down the aisle of the hall. The door reached, the rank is broken and there is a wild scramble, each chapter having chosen its men endeavors to the best of its ability to prevent any other crowd from offering its arguments. The boys of course are bewildered, they are dragged this way and that and each one, hearing such a racket, really does not know which of the chapters are after him. The arguments used are short but forcible and after the meleé little energy is left to the more popular "kids" to enjoy their German, which is on the evening's program.

We are glad to have Bro. Werlein, of Tenn. Beta Pi, with us for the summer.

Tenn. Omega wishes all the brothers a jolly summer and a fine lot of initiates in the fall.

WM. HENDERSON, JR., Correspondent.

TENN. BETA TAU, S. W. B. UNIVERSITY, JACKSON.

It would be hard to describe the feelings of the faculty and student body this morning at chapel exercises, over the sad fate of our much beloved brother and fellow student, Remus H. Amery, who was drowned Saturday evening while swimming in the river near this place. The President, Dr. Savage, made a beautiful and impressive address about him. He said that Bro. Avery had proved himself in every respect to be a perfect Christian gentleman. He was proud of his record as a student. He stood examination in English Saturday morning, which was very rigid, receiving a grade of 90. On Friday night, he had received the Improvement gold medal, awarded by his literary society. He had the respect, confidence, and love of all who knew him. Dr. Savage closed his remarks by saying that he would be proud to know that he himself would die as honorably and as faithfully at his post of duty. Our fraternity at large has lost a noble, promising brother.

Our chapter is now in a flourishing condition. Most of our old men are back with us, and we have initiated several good new men this term. We pick for good, true, honest and pure men, from whom we expect excellent work, and usefulness in after life. We aim at a higher standard of work next year than this, and by that time hope to have a hall, for which we are now making an effort. We will have a vacation of three months, and then return in the fall with high and noble intentions.

With good wishes for the sister chapters.

W. R. PHILLIPS, Correspondent.

TEXAS GAMMA EPSILON, AUSTIN COLLEGE, SHERMAN.

Since our last letter we are able to report that we have closed another successful year's work and we will enter school next session prepared to do equally as well. We lose only two men by graduation this year, Bros R. Ernest Vinson and Wm. A. Vinson, but they will both be located near Sherman and of course they will be around to see us very often. We are sorry to report that Bro, Wm. R. Wilson, class '99, of Dallas will not return next session. We have all become warmly attached to him and we regret that circumstances will not allow him to complete his college course. He will always carry with him the best wishes of his many friends among us. As far as we have been able to learn, all of the brothers with the exception of those mentioned above, will return and on the whole our prospects are very bright. The faculty found it necessary to report unfavorably to the Board of Trustees in regard to the existence of fraternities in the college, expressing the judgment that they had been detrimental to the best interests of the institution and recommending that they be expelled. A committee consisting of Bros Leslie Maxey, Wm. D. Mitchell and Wm. A. Vinson, was appointed to present our case to the Board. We are glad to state that our days are not yet numbered, for the gentlemen of the Board decided that we could continue so long as our conduct was not blameworthy, and consequently we have no fears of expulsion.

At commencement, Bro. Jas. McCall was declared the winner of the college mathematics medal, Bro. Gates Thomas was chosen to represent his society at the annual celebration, Bro. Ernest Vinson's company won first place at the competitive drill and Bros. Ernest Vinson and Wm. Vinson graduated with third and second honors respectively. The following officers have been elected for the next term: Gates Thomas, W. M., Leslie Maxey, W. C., Harry Knox, W. K. E., Henry Manton, W. K. A., Clarence Lanius, W. Scribe, Jas. McCall, W. U., Wm. Wilson, W. Sen., and Wm. D. Mitchell, Correspondent.

Bro. George W. Mitchell of Dallas came and spent the commencement week with his Alpha Tau brothers. Since his absence from college he has lost none of that old time zeal for our noble cause. He is associated with that old "war-horse", Jas. F. McKenzie, and nothing will ever abate their enthusiasm. Bro. Elmore Simmons was also on the hill shaking hands with his many friends. He was elected Sec. and Treas. of the Alumni Association.

The new wing to the college has at last been completed and will be occupied next Sept. With sincerest wishes for the continued success and prosperity of Alpha Tau Omega I close this my last chapter letter. Yours in its sacred bonds,

WILLIAM A. VINSON, Correspondent.

VT. BETA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT, BURLINGTON.

The last of June finds Beta Zeta scattered to the four winds. We sent forth six good men and true, of whom Bro. Allen will study law, Bro. Blake teach, Bro. Hagan has already secured a position upon a government survey and Bros. Hanson, Bates and Wright will return in the fall, the first two named, to continue their medical studies, and Bro. Wright to take postgraduate work in chemistry, preparatory to securing a professorship, Bros. Allen and Blake represented us upon classday as historian and Ivy Orator, respectively.

Bro. Allen was also elected to the Phi Beta Kappa. Bro. Bryan, '98, has been elected manager of the musical club for next year and Bro. Sayward is leader of the Mandolin club.

Recently we received a visit from Bro. Theodore Henckels, now professor of modern languages in Middleburg college.

In the athletic line we are represented by Bro. Woodward, '95, captain and manager of the Malone team of the northern international league, upon which Bro. Corridan of the Tufts team also plays, while Bro. Whelan is playing with the Vergennes Vermont team.

Bro. Sayward will spend the summer in Boston in an architect's office, while Bro. Morton, '99, will accompany Prof. Merrill, head of the department of chemistry, upon a wheeling trip through Germany and Holland.

The balance of the chapter will spend their valuable time studying the parable of the loaves and the fishes, camping or working as the case may be.

We will all be on deck in the fall to work for A. T. O.

R. M. TAFT Correspondent.

VIRGINIA DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF VA., CHARLOTTESVILLE.

Your correspondent for Va. Delta, wishes to apologize for not having any letter in the last PALM. It was due entirely to a misunderstanding, since it was thought that the July number was the next in order. The past session has been a very prosperous one for this chapter, and the prospects for the next session are equally as good,

The chapter roll for the past year included 18 names. Of these, we lose Bros. Marks, Peters and Williams, who graduated with the degree of B. L., M. D. and B. L., respectively. Besides the above, the following Bros. were successful in all of their examinations, F. Abbot, Estes, C. Abbot and Johnston, in the academic department, and R. B. Williams, in the medical first year course.

Of the present chapter, between ten and fifteen will return next session and so far as numbers are concerned we will be prosperous from the start.

We had the pleasure of seeing our chief, Bro. Glazebrook, during the spring. His visit was a real pleasure to us all and, undoubtedly, was of great benefit to the fraternity. We hope next year to obtain comfortable quarters for meetings, etc., and probably a fund will be started for a house of our own.

During the spring we also had a visit from Bro. J. Sam Slicer, of Va. Beta.

Having chronicled the literary honors of the fraternity, I take pleasure in announcing to the fraternity at large that Bro. W. L. Cochran has been chosen captain of the base ball team of '97. He has been a prominent member of the team during the past two seasons. Bro. McCranie was also a member of the team of '96. Va. Delta looks forward eagerly to the publication of the fraternity directory.

We cannot close without some expression of our delight in the recent progress of the fraternity at large, due, we believe, in great part to the able and energetic administration of our present worthy Grand Chief. With best wishes for A. T. O., very fraternally

C. W. ABBOT, Correspondent.

VA. BETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY, LEXINGTON.

Another session has come and gone and brought with it a year of financial prosperity to our chapter. We feel now as if nothing could bar our progress and are already making active preparations for next year, when we will move into more commodious apartments, which will be fitted up with everything which can add to our comfort and convenience, as our present hall is

much too small for our rapidly growing chapter. We lose only two men this year, Bros. Garnett and Tutwiler, both by graduation, and, with the seven who return, expect to have a large and influential chapter, as we already have our eyes on several desirable men. Although we have had our share of college honors, we have not made it a point to take in men simply on account of their powers on the athletic field or their eloquence on the rostrum, but have kept the fact in view that where both cannot be combined, an honorable man is much to be preferred to a man of honors. We may mention, however, that Bro. Slicer succeeds Bro. Tutwiler as Business Manager of the *Collegian*, our college magazine, while Bro. KuyKendall holds the place of assistant.

On the athletic field we will probably be represented by Bros. Dixon and KuyKendall on the foot ball team and by Bro. Burke on the base ball team. On the rostrum, we are most ably represented by Bro. Cochran, who, besides gaining for himself quite a reputation as an orator, has the distinction of having led his class in Law, though entering late in the session.

Bro. Garnett, who graduated in this department high in his class, is at present looking around for a suitable place to display his "shingle" and at the same time trying to avoid a host of friends who want to send him to the legislature.

As for Bros. Hamner and Hammat, we let them rest on their merits as honorable men, as their deeds are too numerous to mention. And now, before bringing this, our last letter for the year to a close, it is with much pleasure that we mention a most enjoyable reception given us by our brother *in facultate*, Dr. H. D. Campbell, who entertained us at his home in a manner which showed that love for Alpha Tau was still warm in his heart, as well as in that of his charming wife, of whom we are equally proud. At our last meeting, though we were disappointed in not having a banquet as we had intended, we were entertained by a veritable "feast of reason and flow of soul," which was brought to a close by a speech from Bro. KuyKendall, which showed that the principles of our fraternity had been sown deep into his heart and were already beginning to bear fruit which will ever make him a true and loyal wearer of the Maltese Cross.

So ended our last meeting, and as we laid aside our regalia, some of us for the last time, and gave a farewell "Hip hurrah!", we realized how strong had been the ties which bound us together in Alpha Tau Omega.

C. C. TUTWILER, Correspondent.

CLIPPINGS.

WEDDING OF BRO. JOHN C. BOYD (O. BETA MU).

Married, Tuesday, March 24, Prof. John C. Boyd (a charter member of O. Beta Mu) and Miss Irene Casterton, at the New York home of the bride.

That was the announcement that took Wooster by storm, for no one who has seen the good Professor so faithfully engaged in his daily work on the Hill would ever have dreamed that he was thinking of anything beyond the daily endeavor to make stronger and better men and women out of the lads and lasses with whom he is so popular as friend and teacher, and when at the close of the winter term he excused from examination his German classes, they only thought it the outcome of his great heart, and with the rest of the University held their breath and were incredulous when the news of his marriage came. But the announcement cards and the return of the Professor and his bride Saturday evening set all doubts aside.

The groom is honored by all who know him, and since his graduation from the University in 1879, has been one of its most thorough and successful teachers, winning deserved popularity for his department of German because of his talent to instruct.

The fair bride was a trained nurse and was actively engaged in home mission work in Albany and later in New York city, being connected with the New York Deaconess Home and accomplishing a remarkable work among the poor of the slums until in October, '93, when she sailed for Kucheng, China, where as a nurse in charge of the Wiley Hospital she met with abundant success and was greatly loved. For nearly a year she was thus engaged, when the climate made necessary a return to this country, where she again engaged in slum work. While at Clifton Springs, N. Y. last summer, she met the man of all the world, and now she is Mrs. Boyd.

Their many friends join with the *Voice* in wishing Professor and Mrs. Boyd a pleasant pathway through life marked by that deep joy that they so richly deserve.—*Wooster Voice*.

THE COLLEGE FRATERNITY.

College fraternities, of which a very prominent representative is now holding its national convention in this city, have become a powerful and recognized force in the college world. Not many years ago the college society was seldom recognized by a faculty, but was frowned upon, denounced and persecuted. It was regarded

as an organization whose influence was vicious and the members were compelled to hold their meetings clandestinely and even deny their membership.

The yearning for social intercourse among the young men was, however, so strong that edicts of faculties could not prevail against the fraternity. The brotherly feeling continued to exist and assert itself in organization. Gradually the learned professors came to realize that the fraternity was not wholly wicked after all. Sometimes unexpected disclosures demonstrated that the secrets of the Greek letter society were not aimed at the destruction of character and the overthrow of college discipline.

Some twenty years ago when the rivalry between the chapters at Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware was intense, the members of one fraternity obtained possession of the constitution of another fraternity and caused it to be printed and posted throughout the town. The fraternity men whose constitution was thus published were much mortified and feared the results, but people who had been hostile to fraternities read the constitution, found it abounded in noble sentiments and concluded that a society with such organic law was a pretty good sort of an organization. This is only one example of how throughout the country the prejudice against college fraternities has melted away. Today there are not half a dozen colleges worthy of the name in which fraternities are discouraged.

College faculties now appreciate that the best results can be secured by co-operating with the fraternity men. There are chapters in some fraternities in which the dominating influence is for dissipation and viciousness. They must be suppressed, but they are exceptions to the rule, which is, that the tendency of the fraternity is to cultivate all that is noblest and best in man. When the prevailing sentiment of a chapter is exalted and when mean and vicious conduct is despised, the chapter is a power for good and a worthy ally of the faculty in supporting reasonable discipline and encouraging hard work. An older student will often through kindly, fraternal effort, influence a younger brother in a way which would be impossible for a professor. Many a wayward student has been strengthened by a brother to whom he is united by the strong ties of a Greek fraternity.

With the rapid increase in recent years in the number of chapter houses owned and occupied by the members of Greek letter societies, those societies have gained much in influence and dignity and all doubt has been removed as to their permanency. The college fraternity has come to stay and to be a power in the college world.—*Cleveland Plain Dealer*, Apr. 10, '96.

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